

Jean-Marc Thomas



When he was young and impassioned by aeronautics and space, Jean-Marc THOMAS carried out brilliant studies which lead him, in 1972, to the “Sup' Aéro” Diploma. In 1973, he started his career with “Aerospatiale” (future EADS).

During 16 years he was an Engineer in Research and Development and acquired a core of infallible knowledge on the calculation of structures. Then he successively becomes Head of the Hypersonic Programs with “Aerospatiale”, followed, in 1991, as Head Engineer of Programs A319/A320/A321 and finally, Managing Director of “Aerospatiale”, in 1999.

During the launching of “EADS” in 2000, he is part of the Paris Headquarters managing team. He becomes Senior Vice-President Industry/Research & Technology/Quality. In 2002, he is nominated as General Secretary of “Airbus France” and Director of the Toulouse plant, followed in 2005, as General Manager of “Airbus France”.

Finally, in 2007 he becomes Executive President and Managing Director of “Airbus France” while continuing to ensure the management of the Toulouse plant.

At the same time, Jean-Marc THOMAS is nominated, in 2005, as Chairman of Aerospace Valley (Worldwide Cluster) as well as Chairman of the “Aeronautical and Space Research Foundation”.

In 2008, he is re-elected as Chairman at the head of these two organizations. Jean-Marc THOMAS is a must in the French aircraft industry environment. Conversant, friendly and approachable, he has succeeded in building himself a solid and outstanding career.