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Mr Hirsch has held different positions in the French administration. He has been Chief Executive Director of the French Food Safety Agency (1999-2005) and Chair of the NGO *Emmaüs* (2002-2007). He was appointed as High Commissioner against Poverty and for Youth Policy in May 2007. Mr Hirsch created the *Revenu de Solidarite Active* programme. In March 2010, he became the President of the new French Civic Service Agency and has been in charge of the volunteer programmes. He is the author of numerous books on poverty, social and health care and administrative issues. He was member of the high-level advisory group on the Social Protection Floor chaired by President Michele Bachelet.