

Mr. Jean-Michel Rainer - BIO DATA

Jean-Michel Rainer was born in 1948 in Tours (Loire valley), France, where he got his bachelor degree and two post-bachelor years. He then graduated from "Ecole Polytechnique", Paris (1970), with post-graduate degrees in meteorology from "Ecole Nationale de la Météorologie", Paris (1971) and in telecommunications from "Ecole Nationale Supérieure des Télécommunications", Paris (1973).

He entered the French Meteorological Service, Meteo-France, in 1973 where he was Head of telecommunication development section, and from 1979 to 1982, Head of the Telecommunication Division. He joined in September 1982 the WMO in Geneva, as Scientific Officer, Telecommunications and monitoring, in the World Weather Watch Department. From 1992 to 2003, he was Chief of Telecommunications and monitoring unit in the World Weather Watch Department, and he is now Chief of Information Systems and Services Division. He is responsible for coordinating with the 187 WMO Member countries the operation and development of global and regional telecommunications and data management systems for meteorology, and radio-frequency matters for meteorology (radio-sondes, radars, satellite, remote-sensing).