



**Bernard LARROUTUROU has been appointed Director General of CNRS on July 31, 2003.**

Bernard Larroutourou, age 44, is a graduate of the Ecole Polytechnique.

He also earned an engineering degree from the Ecole des Ponts et Chaussées and holds a Ph.D. in mathematics from Université Pierre et Marie Curie-Paris 6.

He is a specialist of the mathematical and digital modelling of combustion phenomena and, more generally, of fluid mechanics.

He became the President and General Director of INRIA in 1996, which during his leadership underwent remarkable development, characterized by top-notch science and the constant transfer of research findings to the world of business.

Bernard Larroutourou was President and General Director of SIMULOG, the first firm to be created based on research conducted at INRIA.

He was Chairman of the Board of Directors of INRIA-Transfert, a subsidiary of INRIA designed to help create new businesses