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Jean-Claude BEACCO (born 1944) is of classical studies background (MA in Greek, Latin and French ; thesis in Homeric philology). He is a doctor in linguistics and educational linguistics.

He has occupied several positions as researcher from 1976 to 1980 (*Bureau pour l'enseignement de la langue et de la civilisation françaises à l'étranger* = Bureau for the Teaching of French Language as a Foreign Language and Culture).

From 1980 to 1988, he was cultural *attaché* in charge of French linguistic policy in Italy, at the French Embassy in Rome.

He entered the university in 1989, as assistant professor and became rapidly professor at Maine University in France (1989-2000).

From 2000, he is professor in the Department of French as a Foreign Language at the Sorbonne University (Paris III), where he is responsible of the master. He directs or has directed 35 Phd thesis. Since 2011, he is an emeritus professor.

Since 1998, he is the Program Advisor for the Linguistic Policy Division of the Council of Europe (where the *Common European Framework of Reference...* was realised). As such, he is the author of policy texts like :

http://www.coe.int/t/dg4/linguistic/Source/Guide_Main_Beacco2007_EN.doc

http://www.coe.int/t/dg4/linguistic/Source/DNR_Guide_EN.pdf

http://www.coe.int/t/dg4/linguistic/Source/Migrants_ConceptPaper_EN.doc

He has been an expert for the European Commission (Linguistic Policy Unit) :

http://ec.europa.eu/education/languages/archive/policy/report/beaco_fr.pdf

for the *Délégation générale à la langue française et aux langues de France*, the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs, for the *Union latine*, the International Organisation for the Francophony (OIF), University Agency of Francophony (AUF)...

He was member of the Language Strategic Committee installed by the French Ministry of Education, Luc Châtel

<http://www.education.gouv.fr/cid55664/installation-du-comite-strategique-des-langues.html#Composition>

He has published more than 150 articles and books and coordinates the *French (as a foreign language) Reference Level Description* (published : A1.1. for migrants, A1, A2, B1, B2 ;C1 and C2 in preparation) ; he is also involved in the realisation of such reference descriptions for Arabic and Armenian as foreign languages.

He is general coeditor of the “Language and didactics” series (Didier, Paris)

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