



Jean Todt, GRAND Fellow of the MIRCE Akademy (2012)

Jean Todt was born on 25th February 1946 at Pierrefort, Cantal (France). After High School, Jean Todt studied at the "Ecole Des Cadres" School of Economics and Business in Paris. In 1966, he started his career as a rally co-driver and participated in the World Championship rallies with most of the car manufacturers together with international rally drivers until 1981 when, with Guy Frequelin, he won the Constructors' World Rally Championship with Talbot Lotus. He was also the drivers' representative at FISA (Fédération Internationale du Sport Automobile) Rally Commission from 1975 to 1981.

At the end of 1981 he became Peugeot Sporting Director, and under his management Peugeot Talbot Sport won two Constructors' World Rally Championships, two Drivers' World Rally Championships, four Paris-Dakar as well as a number of other victories. He was also the Constructors' representative at the FISA Rally Commission.

In 1990 Jean Todt was appointed Motorsport Director of the PSA Peugeot Citroen Group. In 1992, Peugeot won the World Sports Car Championship and obtained two consecutive victories in the Le Mans 24 Hours in 1992 and 1993.

In the middle of 1993, Jean Todt left Peugeot and became Team Principal of Ferrari Racing Division (Gestione Sportiva). Under his leadership, Scuderia Ferrari won 13 Formula One world titles and 98 Grand Prix. In 2001, Jean Todt took on responsibility for all motor sport activity for the Ferrari-Maserati Group and became Member of the Board of Directors of Ferrari. In the middle of 2004 he was appointed General Manager of Ferrari and, at the end of 2006, he became Chief Executive Officer of the Company, maintaining the responsibility of the Gestione Sportiva.

In March 2008, he decided to leave his positions of CEO and Director of Gestione Sportiva while maintaining that of Member of the Board, Advisor to the Chairman and also maintaining that of President of Ferrari West Europe (Paris) and Ferrari Asia Pacific (Shanghai). Jean Todt also retained his position as a Member of the FIA World Motorsport Council. In March 2009, he stopped working at Ferrari. On October 23rd, he was elected President of the FIA (Fédération Internationale de l'Automobile).