

## **Biographical Sketch**

**Christian Gollier**

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Christian Gollier is currently Director of the Toulouse School of Economics (TSE), Research Director at the Institut d'Economie Industrielle (IDEI) and researcher at the Laboratoire d'Economie des Ressources Naturelles (LERNA), a research center associated to INRA and CNRS on environmental economics. He is also a board member of La Mondiale, one of top-ten french life insurance companies.

Christian Gollier has published more than eighty articles in top-tier economic journals and he is also Associate Editor, editor or co-editor of scientific journals such as the *Geneva Papers on Risk and Insurance Theory*, *the Journal of Risk and Uncertainty*, *the Journal of Risk and Insurance*, *Management Science*, *Finance Research Letters* and more recently *Mathematics and Financial Economics*. He has also published 7 books on risk including “*The Economics of Risk and Time*”, MIT Press, winner of “the 2001 Paul A. Samuelson Award” and of the “2002 Prix Risques-les Echos”. He also publishes a monthly column in the french newspapers *Les Echos*.

In addition to outstanding scholarship, Christian has a rich international teaching experience. Prior to joining the University of Toulouse and the IDEI, he has lectured at the Universities of Louvain (Belgium), of California at San Diego (USA), of Montréal (Canada), of Wuhan (China), and of Georgia State (USA). He has also been associate professor at Ecole Polytechnique and at HEC (Paris).

He holds a Ph.D in Economics, and a M.Sc. in Applied Mathematics from the University of Louvain. Among many prizes and honors, he was awarded the Junior Membership of the Institut Universitaire de France, the Ernst Meyer prize, the Royal Belge Award, the Robert C. Witt Research Award for Outstanding Feature Article by the American Risk and Insurance Association, the Kulp-Wright Book Award, and more recently the ARIA Award for the best paper presented at the first World Risk and Insurance Congress (2005). He has also been President of the Risk Theory Society and of the European Group of Risk and Insurance Economists. He is one of the Lead Authors of the recent Report of the Intergovernmental Panel of Climate Change (IPCC, 2007), which got the Nobel Peace Prize in 2007.

He has developed in-depth contacts and consulting activities with various industries in France and around the world, in particular with insurance companies, banks and the energy sector.

His current fields of interest extend from Decision Theory under Uncertainty to Environmental Economics through Finance, Investment, Consumption Theory, Insurance Economics and Cost-Benefit Analysis, with a special interest for long term (sustainable) effects.