

Cotte, Bruno

French nominee for election to the Advisory Committee on Nominations of Judges of the International Criminal Court

Curriculum Vitae**Bruno Cotte**

Born 10 June 1945 in Lyons (69002), France

Married. Three children and seven grand-children

Education

- 1966 Ecole Nationale de la Magistrature (French National School for the Judiciary)
(1967 -1969: 1st year in Bordeaux , 2nd year in Lyon, 3rd year in Paris)
- 1968 Postgraduate diploma in private law, University of Lyons
- 1962-1966 Bachelor and Master of Public Law, University of Lyons
- 1955-1962 Secondary education in Lyons

Institut de France

On 10 December 2010, elected member of the Law, Legislation and Jurisprudence Division of the Académie des Sciences Morales et Politiques (Academy of Moral and Political Sciences)

Judicial career and professional experience

1st June 2008 – 1st June 2014

Judge at the International Criminal Court in The Hague (The Netherlands). Presiding Judge, Trial Chamber II (*The Prosecutor v. Germain Katanga and Mathieu Ngudjolo*). Elected as a Judge by the Assembly of States Parties on 30 November 2007

March, April, May 2007

Acting First President of the French Cour de Cassation (Supreme Court of Appeal)

June 2000 – May 2008

President of the Criminal Chamber of the French Supreme Court of Appeal

October 1995 – June 2000

Counsel for the Prosecution at the French Supreme Court of Appeal (Criminal Chamber)

September 1990 – October 1995

Public Prosecutor at the Tribunal de Grande Instance de Paris (Paris District Court)

May – September 1990

Attorney General at the Versailles Court of Appeal

February 1984 – May 1990

Director for Criminal Affairs and Pardons, Ministry of Justice

May 1983 – February 1984

Deputy Director of Criminal Justice, Directorate of Criminal Affairs and Pardons, Ministry of Justice

October 1981 – May 1983

Special Assistant to the Attorney General, Paris Court of Appeal, acting as Secretary-General of the Public Prosecutor's Department

October 1980 – October 1981

Special Assistant to the First President of the Supreme Court of Appeal

September 1975 – October 1980

Head of the Prosecution Bureau (economic, financial and social affairs), Directorate of Criminal Affairs and Pardons

September 1973 – September 1975

Deputy Public Prosecutor of the Economic and Financial Division of the Tribunal de Grande Instance de Lyon (Lyons District Court)

January 1970 – September 1973

Magistrate, Ministry of Justice, Head of the Office of the Director of Criminal Affairs and Pardons

Decorations

Commander of the Legion of Honour, 14 June 2005

Commander of the French National Order of Merit, 14 June 2001

Memberships

The Society for Comparative Legal Studies

Le Cercle des Constitutionnalistes (The Constitution Experts Society)

PARIS AIDE aux VICTIMES (a support association for victims of criminal offences)

Former member of the Board of Directors of the École Nationale Supérieure de Police (Senior Officers Training School)

Commissions and Committees

Currently Chair of the Commission on Penalties established by the Minister of Justice (Garde des Sceaux) on 31 March 2014 (report to be published late 2015)

Formerly member of numerous Committees including:

The Review Committee on the Criminal Code (chaired by Robert Badinter, Minister of Justice [Garde des Sceaux])

The Review Committee on the Criminal Code of Procedure (chaired by Professor Georges Leaute)

The Commission on Criminal Justice and Human Rights (chaired by Professor Mireille Delmas-Marty)

The Law-Enforcement Commission on Non- Intentional Crimes (chaired by Jean Massot, President of the Division of Finances of the Council of State [Conseil d'État])

Conferences and juries: participated in many conferences at the French National School for the Judiciary and at various French universities, in particular on international criminal justice and the International Criminal Court

Publications

Including:

- To be published late 2015: “Un juge français à la Cour pénale internationale” in *Liber Amicorum* in honour of Robert Badinter
- July 2015: “Etre directeur des affaires criminelles et des grâces en France lors des attentats terroristes des années 1980. Colloque du bicentenaire de la direction des affaires criminelles et des grâces du ministère français de la justice”. Conference proceedings to be published
- 2011: “L'article 64 du Statut de Rome sur les fonctions et les pouvoirs de la Chambre de première instance”. Co-authored by Marianne Saracco. Collaborative work: “Commentaire du Statut de Rome de la Cour Pénale Internationale” managed by the Centre Thucydite, directed by Professors Serge Sur and Emmanuel Decaux
- 2010: “La manifestation de la vérité en droit pénal international” Co-authored by Julien Seroussi. *Archives de philosophie du droit*
- 2007: “La place du droit européen dans la répression des infractions Douanières”. Co-authored by Christophe Soulard. Compendium in honour of Jacques Boré, “La création du droit jurisprudentiel”
- 2006: “Ultimes et brèves réflexions sur le rôle de la Chambre criminelle de la Cour de cassation” Collaborative work “De la Justice dans l'affaire Dreyfus” (Fayard, 2006)
- 2006: “Les délits non intentionnels. La loi Fauchon: 5 ans après” Communication to the Senate on 1 March 2006

- 2006: “Que reste-t-il du code de procédure pénale”
Conference series “La procédure pénale en quête de cohérence”
- 2001: “Le choix de la peine”
Collaborative work “De Saleilles à aujourd'hui” (Erès, 2001)
- 2000: “Quelques réflexions sur la dignité du Juge”
Symposium “La protection de la dignité et les réponses du droit” (Protecting Human Dignity and the Answers Provided by the Law)
Holy Spirit University of Kaslik, Lebanon, 14 April 2000
- 1997: “La délinquance d'affaires”
Meeting and discussion with Professor Marie-Paule Lucas de Leyssac and Mr Pierre Lascoumes, Director of research at the CNRS (National Centre for Scientific Research)
University of Nanterre, 6 December 1997
- 1997: “Le rôle de la Prokuratura dans la défense des droits des citoyens contre les décisions illégales de l'administration”
Collaborative work on “La Prokuratura dans un Etat gouverne par la règle de droit” (Council of Europe, April 1998)
- 1996: “Sanction et Thérapeutique. Communication au XXI ème congrès de l'Association française de criminologie sur ‘Sante et Système pénitentiaire’ ”,
Proceedings were not published
- 1988: “Sanctions pénales. Alternatives pour la peine privative de liberté”. Collaborative work: “Criminal law in action” (Kluwer Law and taxation Publishers, Deventer/ Netherlands)