



Christopher Baldelli

Chairman, RTL Radio (France)

Christopher Baldelli, born in 1965, was appointed Chairman of RTL Radio France's Executive Board as of 1 August 2009. He joined RTL Group's subsidiary Groupe M6 in June 2006 as its Secretary General of Programming. Since November 2006 he had been CEO of M6 Thématique, directing the company's thematic TV channels such as W9, Téva and Paris Première. Under his leadership, the free digital channel W9 has consistently grown its audience to become the most-watched new DTT channel among young viewers. W9 first achieved a positive operating profit on an annual basis in fiscal year 2008.

Prior to joining Groupe M6, Baldelli worked in various executive positions for the public TV channel France 2 (1999 to 2005), including as its Directeur Général from June 2002 to August 2005, and for the media division of the Lagardère group (1997 to 1999).

After graduating from École Normale Supérieure at Saint-Cloud, Baldelli graduated from IEP Paris (Institut d'Études Politiques de Paris). From 1991 to 1997, he held various positions as a high civil servant, specialised in media regulation.