



# EU EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH PROGRAM

## *“The Importance of the European Union”*

**Monday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2012 | 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.**

**Hialeah Gardens High School –7191  
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### **Hon. Gaël de Maisonneuve** *Consul General* *Consulate General of France in Miami*

Gaël de Maisonneuve is a graduate of the prestigious Paris’s **Institute of Political Studies** known as Sciences Po Paris, an elite French school focusing on the full range of social sciences. He is also a graduate of the **ESSEC Business School** (Ecole Supérieure des Sciences Economiques et Commerciales), an academic institution of excellence that has been training leaders since 1907.

G. de Maisonneuve began his professional life abroad carrying out his national service in the **Republic of Singapore**, at the **French Embassy, Cultural affairs bureau**. After three years in Paris, working at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Asian desk, he was appointed **Second Secretary to the French Embassy in Tokyo**. In 2002, he served as **Deputy Ambassador of France in Sri Lanka**.

In 2005, he returned to Paris where he first worked on budget and administrative reform in the **general division for political and security affairs at the Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs**; he later joined the **private office of Mr. Bernard Kouchner, Minister of Foreign and European Affairs**, as **Advisor on Asia**, reform and consular matters. Meanwhile, he carried out numerous duties in different associations in Paris.

Gaël de Maisonneuve was appointed to his current post as **Consul General of France** on August 14, 2009.

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