

Jean-Christophe Hadorn is well known in the renewable solar energy international community both as a scientist and a manager Born 1955, Civil Engineer 1979 Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Lausanne, 3 best student awards, MBA at HEC University of Lausanne 1997, best student award.

He started as a researcher on large scale storage of solar heat in deep aquifers (1979-1981). He then moved to a solar energy and building physics engineering company where he advised architects and design energy concepts for buildings (1981-1985). He worked 10 years as a project leader on a software product (Geographical Information System) for the design and management of all kind of energy networks. He then created

with partners a consulting company in strategy and management where he advices public and private businesses. Since 1985, Jean-Christophe Hadorn has been every year appointed as "external manager of thermal solar energy and heat storage research program" (Programleiter) by the swiss government.

He was asked in 2003-2005 by the French government to set up the new National Institute of Solar Energy (INES) in France, now on track with more than 100 researchers.

During 2005 to 2008 he has been chairman of the board of SES Solar Inc, a PV module manufacturing company based in Geneva and listed on the Nasdaq.

Since 2000, he has an engineering company and deals with environmental and new energy issues for clients such as the city of Paris where he is part of the team who won in 2007 the international contest for the renovation of "Les Halles". He is currently working also on very low energy dwellings (15 kWh/m²) in Geneva.

He has been chosen by an international committee of the IEA as the operating agent for the future IEA SHC Task 44 "Solar and Heat pump systems" which will extend during 2010-2013.

Jean-Christophe is member of HEC Lausanne faculty as a coach for Individual Strategy Projects of the EMBA where he coaches 30 candidates per year on their strategical projects on numerous subjects from renewable energy businesses to healthcare or IT companies.

Jean-Christophe Hadorn has a large experience in technical fields and in management of projects and businesses.