

JOSÉ RAMÓN ÁLVAREZ-RENDUELES

Born in Gijón (Asturias), José Ramón holds a Ph.D. in Economics, with honors, and Law degree from the University Complutense of Madrid. In 1964 he joined the “Technical Salesforce and Economists of the State” and he has been a University professor since 1973.

His activity within the public sector includes the following positions, State Economist in the Ministry of Agriculture and the Development Plan Commission, Director of Studies for the Development Plan Commission, Director of the Economic Development Institute, General Technical Secretary of the Ministry of Finance, Undersecretary of Financial Economics, Secretary of State for Economic Affairs, Bank of Spain Governor, Alternate Governor for Spain in the International Monetary Fund and World Bank.

In the private sector he has held the following positions, Deputy Director of Studies of the Spanish Confederation of Savings Banks, Chairman of the Board of Directors of Juliana Constructora Gijonesa de Caudal, S.A., Chairman of the Board of Directors of Financiera Reunida S.A., Chairman of the Board of Directors of Banco Zaragozano, Member of the Board of Directors of Uninsa, Ensidesa, Hunosa, Urbis, Banco Exterior de España, Dragados y Construcciones, Hispano Olivetti, Iberduero, Mare Nostrum, Portland Valderrivas, Aristraín, Grucysa, Cofipsa, Duro Felguera, Arbed and Aceralia.

He is Doctor Honoris Causa from the Universidad Santa María in Caracas, and he is also patron of the following foundations; the Pro Royal Spanish Academy, the University Pontificia of Salamanca, and Sanitas. In addition he is a member of the Association of Economists and the Bar Association of Madrid and member of the Royal Economic Society.

Finally, mention his status as an Academician of the Royal Academy of Sciences and Finances in Barcelona and honorary president of the IEB.

Among other honors, he holds the Grand Cross of the Order of Civil Merit, Grand Cross Isabel la Católica, Constitutional Merit Medal, “Encomienda de Número” of the Order of Agricultural Merit, Officer of the French Legion of Honor, Grand Cross of Civil Merit of Italy, Grand Officer of the Order of Cruzeiro do Sul in Brazil and Grand Officier de l'Ordre de la Couronne de Chêne of Luxembourg. He is honorary citizen of Asturias.

He has been Chairman of Foundation “Príncipe de Asturias” and he is currently a member of the following Boards of Directors:

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