AGENDA
University of Central Florida
February 5, 2010
Arranged for
Gaël de Maisonneuve
Consul General of France in Miami

Location: Central Florida Research Park Offices, Research Pavilion
12424 Research Parkway, Suite 100 – Orlando, FL 32826

2:00 p.m. Welcome and Introductions:

Mr. Ed Schons, UCF Director University Economic Development
Ms. Brigitte Dagot, Honorary Consul of France in Orlando

2:05 p.m. Overviews:

University of Central Florida and UCF Office of Research and Commercialization

Dr. MJ Soileau Vice President for Research and Commercialization
Mr. Ed Schons, Director University Economic Development

UCF Office of International Studies

Dianna Wilson Mosley, Office of International Studies

2:25pm Visit to College of Optics/Center for Research and Education in Optics and Lasers, Florida Photonics Center of Excellence and Townes Laser Institute

Dr. Bahaa Saleh, Dean College of Optics and Photonics/Center for Research in Optics and Lasers

3:20pm Visit to UCF Institute for Simulation and Training

Mr. Mark Yerkes, Institute for Simulation and Training

4:00pm Visit Concludes
Gaël de Maisonneuve, Consul General of France in Miami

Born in 1967, 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 on August 14, 2009.

He is married to Caroline de Maisonneuve and has three children who attend the French International Studies in the Miami-Dade County Public Schools system. Very open to other cultures, they travel together around the world.