

Dominique Strauss-Kahn

IMF chief at centre of alleged sexual assault case



■ **Apr 25, 1949:** Born in Neuilly-sur-Seine near Paris, France

■ **1986:** Elected to National Assembly as French Socialist Party (PS) member

■ **1991:** Marries TV journalist **Anne Sinclair** – his third wife

■ **1997-99:** Serves in **Lionel Jospin's** PS government as finance minister. Cuts public deficit, enabling France to join euro. Resigns amid allegations of property fraud – later cleared

■ **2006:** DSK seeks nomination as PS candidate for French presidency but loses to **Segolene Royal**

■ **2007:** Appointed as managing director of International Monetary Fund with backing of political rival, President **Nicolas Sarkozy**

■ **2008:** Wins praise for IMF's efforts to cope with global financial meltdown. Reprimanded by IMF executive for having affair with colleague

■ **2011:** Opinion polls name him as front-runner against Sarkozy in 2012 presidential elections

■ **May 15:** Arrested in New York on sexual assault charges