

# Meteoric rise of Emmanuel Macron

■ **Dec 21, 1977:** Macron born into middle-class family in northern city of Amiens. Educated at private Jesuit college



■ **1995-2004:** Studies philosophy at **Nanterre University** and public affairs at **Sciences Po** before graduating from elite **École Nationale d'Administration**

■ **2004:** Becomes Inspector of Finances at economy ministry

■ **2007:** Marries his former high school teacher **Brigitte Trogneux**, 24 years his senior



■ **2008:** Investment banker at **Rothschild & Cie**. Earns €2.9m for his role in **Nestlé's** \$12bn acquisition of **Pfizer's** baby-food unit in 2012



■ **2010:** Appointed economic adviser to Socialist presidential candidate **François Hollande**



■ **2012:** Deputy secretary-general of **Élysée Palace** – senior role in President Hollande's staff

■ **2014:** Serves as economy minister under Prime Minister **Manuel Valls**



■ **2015:** His business reform package, nicknamed **Loi Macron**, generates mass public protests and deep unease within Socialist party



■ **Apr 6, 2016:** Macron launches non-partisan political movement **En Marche!** (On The Move!) before resigning from government

■ **Nov 16:** Declares official bid for presidency

■ **Apr 23, 2017:** Wins first round of presidential elections alongside far-right National Front leader **Marine Le Pen**

■ **May 7:** Macron favoured by opinion polls to defeat Le Pen in runoff, making him France's youngest ever president