

## **Back Cover Praise for *The French Challenge*:**

“Rarely has such a clear book been written about the big issue of the day in France. Avoiding the usual stereotypes and polemics, Gordon and Meunier pulverize a number of clichés, beginning with that of a France incapable of adapting to globalization.”

--**Pascal Riché**, Washington Correspondent, *Libération*

“The authors have done a fine job of undermining American clichés about present-day France both by explaining the historical and intellectual roots of French resistance to globalization and by showing how successful France has been in adapting to its challenges without thereby becoming Americanized.”

--**Stanley Hoffmann**, Battenwieser University Professor at Harvard University

“The challenge of globalization is particularly complex in France, where traditions, culture, and a strong sense of national identity clash with the realities of market liberalization. Gordon and Meunier provide a nuanced portrait that reveals the myriad factors underlying the country’s efforts –often more successful than most outsiders realize—to adapt to life in an ever more integrated world.”

--**Felix G. Rohatyn**, U.S. Ambassador to France, 1997-2000

“This is a terrific book, especially for those of us who were wondering how France manages to thrive in the very global economy it denounces. A fine and sympathetic study of the real changes in the French economy and the gap between rhetoric and reality, it is also a useful corrective to American triumphalism.”

--**Paul R. Krugman**, Princeton University, author of *Fuzzy Math*