

## *Grand jury OYEA 2023*

### **Michaël Benabou** President of Financière Saint James

Michaël Benabou is a French investor. He first started his career as an entrepreneur and co-founded Vente-privée.com in 2001. Then in charge of business development and surrounded by his team, he propelled the company's turnover from €1.5 million in 2003 to €2 billion in 2013, making Vente-privée.com one of the most successful business ventures in Europe to date. In 2013, he sold 90% of his shares in the company and created Financière Saint James, to actively invest in the Tech world. He supports entrepreneurs by providing them with his expertise to develop their business. In 2020, Michaël Benabou was the 3rd most important business angel in France.