



H.E. Dong-ik Shin, Ambassador

Dong-ik Shin is Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Korea to the Republic of Austria and to the Republic of Slovenia and Permanent Representative of the Republic of Korea to the International Organizations in Vienna. He served as chair of the Nuclear Suppliers Group from January to June 2017 and as Sherpa for the Korean President at the 2014 Nuclear Security Summit.

Since joining the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 1981, Ambassador Shin has dedicated his career to multilateral and global affairs. From 2013 to 2016 he served as Deputy Minister for Multilateral and Global Affairs. Prior to this assignment he was Ambassador and Deputy Permanent Representative at the Korean Mission to the United Nations in New York (2011–2013), where he had worked as Minister-Counselor from 2005 to 2008. He further served as the Director-General for International Organizations at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (2008–2010).

In 2016 Ambassador Dong-ik Shin was appointed as President of the Institute of Foreign Affairs and National Security (IFANS) in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Korea. During the early years of his career, he held political, economic and consular posts in Seattle, Kuala Lumpur and Geneva. He also served as Principal Secretary to the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Director for Security Policy and Deputy Director General for Policy Planning.

Ambassador Shin holds two Master of Arts degrees, one in international relations from the University of Pennsylvania and another in political science from Yonsei University. In 1997 he was a Research Associate at the International Institute of Strategic Studies in London and in 2010 an Advisor at the United Nations Foundation in New York.

During his diplomatic career Ambassador Shin has written many articles that have appeared in publications such as *Survival* (UK), *Pacific Review* (UK), *Diplomacy* (Korea), *Foreign Policy* (Korea), *IFANS Review* (Korea) and newspapers in Korea.

In July 2013 Ambassador Shin received the Order of Service Merit from the government of the Republic of Korea.