

ARIEF MUHAMMAD BASALAMAH



Arief is the Consul General of the Republic of Indonesia in Marseille, France as of 1 July 2020. Before assuming his current post, he was the Director of the Centre for Functional Positions Management at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA) in Jakarta.

Arief has been assigned in various positions in the MFA in Jakarta and abroad. In the HQ, he was Head of Sub-Division at the Bureau for Economic Affairs, ASEAN National Secretariat (1994-1996), Head of Division at the Centre for Education and Training (2000-2003), Deputy Director at the Directorate for Intra-Regional Cooperation of the Asia Pacific and Africa (2008-2010), and Head of Division for General Affairs of the Directorate General for American and European Affairs (2014-2016); before being transferred to the Centre for Functional Positions Management (2017-2020) as its first Director, and promoted to the rank of Minister in 2018.

His overseas postings include: 3rd Secretary for economic affairs at the Indonesian Embassy in Tunis, Tunisia which was cross-accredited for Libya and Palestine (1997-2000); 1st Secretary for political affairs at the Indonesian Embassy in London, UK, accredited also for Ireland and IMO (2003-2007); and Consul/Minister Counsellor for economic affairs cum Head of Chancery at the Indonesian Consulate General in Vancouver BC, Canada (2011-2014).

He has received a Presidential bronze medal for 10 years of loyalty in service (2002), and a silver medal for 20 years of service (2012).

Arief graduated from the University of Padjadjaran, Bandung with a degree in international relations; and completed Basic (1992-93), Mid-Career (2001), and Senior (2009) diplomatic trainings at the Centre for Education and Training of the MFA. He has completed leadership and management trainings for the 3rd echelon level (2002), and 2nd echelon level (2009) at the Indonesian Public Administration Institute, Jakarta. Arief also participated in various diplomatic short courses abroad such as, among others, the Forum for Junior ASEAN Diplomats on International Affairs at the IDFR Malaysia (1995), and the Course on Policy Planning for Indonesian Senior Diplomats at the Clingendael Institute, the Hague (2010).

Arief is married and has two children.