

Ashot KOCHARIAN

BSEC PERMIS, Executive Manager

Date and Place of Birth

June 8, 1957, Yerevan, Armenia

Education

1979 - Yerevan Institute of Russian and Foreign Languages, department of English and Russian languages and literature

1987-1990 - Institute of Philosophy and Law of National Academy of Sciences of Armenia, postgraduate studies

1992 - Special course for diplomats, the Netherlands Institute of International Relations Clingendael, the Hague

1993-1994 - Vienna Diplomatic Academy, Austria

Professional Experience

1979-1984 – Teacher of Russian and English languages in the secondary school of Marmarashen, Masis region, Armenia

1983-1984 - Deputy Principal of the same school

1984-1986 – Interpreter of English language in Iraq, Baghdad

1991-1992 - Scientific Secretary, Institute of Philosophy and Law of National Academy of Sciences of Armenia

1992-1993 Department of European Countries, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia, Second secretary

1994-1997 Head of the UN, OSCE and other international organizations division of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia

1997-1999 - First Secretary in the Embassy of the Republic of Armenia in Vienna, Austria

1999 – 2002 Counselor of the Department of International Organizations of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia in charge of Human Rights and Humanitarian Issues

2002-2003 - Director of the International Organizations Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

2002-2003 - Chairman of Interagency Commission on Human Trafficking

2003 -2005 - Press Secretary of the President of the Republic of Armenia

February 2005 – August 2009, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Armenia to the Republic India

July 2005 – August 2011 Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Armenia to Indonesia (with residence in New Delhi).

October 2005 –August 2009 Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Armenia to Sri Lanka (with residence in New Delhi).

July 2006 – August 2009 Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Armenia to Nepal (with residence in New Delhi).

March 2009 – August 2011 Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Armenia to Malaysia (with residence in New Delhi)

September 2009 – March 2016 Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Armenia to the Republic of Lebanon

Since June 2016 – Director of Bilateral and Multilateral Economic Co-operation Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia

June 2016 – July 2019 Member of the Steering Committee of ICRANet (International Center for Relativistic Astrophysics Network)

2016 – 2019 Senior Official of the Republic of Armenia to BSEC

2016-2018 – Participation at the Meetings of the BSEC Committee of Senior Officials and the Council of Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the BSEC Member States, Belgrade, Kiev, Istanbul, Yerevan, Baku

June 2017- Head of delegation of the Republic of Armenia to the 36th Meeting of the BSEC Council of Ministers of Foreign Affairs, Istanbul

January 2018 – June 2018 - Chair of the BSEC Committee of Senior Officials

December 2018- Head of the delegation of the Republic of Armenia to the 37th Meeting of the BSEC Council of Ministers of Foreign Affairs, Baku

March 2018 – July 2019 - Member of the Board of Governors of the International Think Tank for Landlocked developing countries

Since 1 July 2019 – Executive Manager of the BSEC PERMIS in charge of Energy and Emergency Assistance areas

Academic Background

Candidate of Philosophical Sciences

Author of several articles and translations on international relations and human rights

Teaching activities

1988-2000 - Lecturer of Philosophy and English Language at various educational institutions of the Republic of Armenia

Awards

2018- Second degree Medal of Honor of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia

2002- Certificate of appreciation of the Prime Minister of the Republic of Armenia

2001, 2013 - Letter of appreciation of the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia

Languages

Armenian, English, Russian, German (fair)