

# Curriculum Vitae of Ambassador Benedikt Jónsson



<b>Born</b>	Reykjavík, Iceland, November 25, 1954
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## Education

1982	M.A. hons. (Pol. Science)
1979	B.A. hons. (History, Pol. Science, Philosophy)

## Professional Background

2009	Permanent Secretary of State
2008	Acting Permanent Secretary of State
2006	Ambassador and Chief Negotiator, Directorate of External Trade, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Reykjavík
2001	Ambassador to the Russian Federation, Moscow. Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan
1997	Ambassador, Permanent Representative to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva, including WTO and EFTA. Chief negotiator for EFTA in free trade negotiations with Mexico and Chile. Chairman of WTO Committee on Least Developed Countries
1995	Ambassador and Deputy Permanent Secretary of State, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Reykjavík
1991	Minister-Counsellor and Head of Department, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Reykjavík
1988	Counsellor, Embassy of Iceland, Paris
1988	Deputy Permanent Representative, Council of Europe
1987	First Secretary, Embassy of Iceland, Paris and Deputy Permanent Representative to OECD and UNESCO
1984	First Secretary, Embassy of Iceland, Moscow
1983	First Secretary, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Reykjavík

<b>Married to</b>	Aðalheiður Óskarsdóttir Four children, Pall, Stefania, Greta and Bjarki
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