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Pekka Shemeikka is the Head of Mission of Finland (Chargé d'Affaires) to Myanmar (2021-)

Pekka joined the Finnish Foreign Service 1990 and has then engaged in particular with issues related to the European Union, its institutions, its foreign policy, sustainable development and the UN.

Prior to his current position, Pekka was the Acting Director of the Unit of Current Communications (2019-2020), chaired the Sustainable Development Working Group/SDWG of the Arctic Council (2016-2019) and served as the Deputy Head of Mission of Finland to Turkey (2012-2016).

Before Turkey, Pekka was an adviser of UNSG High Level Panel on Global Sustainability when preparing UN/Rio+20 (2010-2012).

Pekka served several years in Brussels (2001-2009) with EU-related responsibilities including parliamentary relations of the HR/SG (2007-2009), chairing the Council General Affairs Working Group/GAG (2007) and following the European Parliament structures and its work (2002-2007).

During the first Finnish Presidency of the European Union Pekka worked for migration and asylum issues (1998-2000) including preparing the 1999 JHA Summit. Before that Pekka was serving the Embassies to Iran (1995-1997) and to the Netherlands (1991-1995).

Pekka holds a Master's Degree of Political Science in Economics. He is married with one child.

