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Ambassador Juha Ottman is the Finnish Permanent Representative to the Political and Security Committee (PSC) of the European Union since September 2022. The PSC contributes to the drafting and implementation of the Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP), and the Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP). In particular, it defines and follows up the EU's response in the event of a crisis.

Prior to his current position, Mr. Ottman served as the Finnish Ambassador to Poland in 2018-2022, as the Deputy Director General in the Department for Europe in 2013-2018, as the Finnish Ambassador to Croatia and FYROM (currently Northern Macedonia) in 2010-2013 and as the Director for Western Balkans and EU Enlargement in the Department for Europe in 2006-2010.

Mr. Ottman has also served as the Deputy Head of Mission in the Finnish Embassy in Belgrade, Serbia, and as a COWEB and a 133 Committee delegate in the Finnish Permanent Representation to the EU in Brussels, Belgium. In the Ministry, he has also worked in the Departments of Administration, Development Cooperation and Trade Policy.

Mr. Ottman joined the Finnish MFA in 1996. He has a Master of Science (Economics) degree from the Helsinki School of Economics.

