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Mr. Sami Leino serves as the Ambassador of Finland to Malaysia and Brunei since 1 September 2020 and is based in Kuala Lumpur.

Ambassador leads the work of the Embassy and is responsible for its operation.

Before being posted to Malaysia Ambassador Leino served as the Director for East and South East Asia and Oceania at the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland in Helsinki from 2014 to 2020.

Ambassador Leino joined the Diplomatic Service in 1999 and has held various postings at the Ministry and served at the Embassies of Finland in the Hague and Moscow as well at the Mission of Finland to NATO (Brussels) and the Permanent Mission of Finland to the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE, Vienna). Before joining the Diplomatic Service he worked for the OSCE in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Ambassador Leino graduated from the University of Turku in 1997 with a degree in law (LL.M) and has also studied at the Christian Albrechts University in Kiel (Germany).

Ambassador Leino is married with two teenage children. In his free time, he enjoys outdoor activities, including taking care of the family dog and doing sports

