

## H.E. Peter Ericson

### Ambassador of Sweden to Finland



Ambassador Peter Ericson presented his credentials to the President of the Republic, Mr. Alexander Stubb, on 3 September 2024.

Prior to taking up his current position he was Head of the Eastern Europe and Central Asia Department at the Ministry for Foreign Affairs in Stockholm.

He served as Ambassador to Russia from 2015 to 2019, and Consul General in Istanbul from 2019 to 2023.

From 2010 to 2015 Ericson was Head of the Security Policy Department at the MFA, responsible *i.a.* for the United Nations, NATO, OSCE, the Council of Europe, and security policy issues in the European Union, as well as peace support operations, terrorism and sanctions.

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Ericson joined the Ministry for Foreign Affairs in 1989 and was posted to the Embassy in Moscow in 1990, after completing the initial diplomatic training course. He moved to the Embassy in Brussels in 1994, where he represented Sweden in the working bodies of the Western European Union. He returned to MFA in Stockholm in 1998, serving initially as desk officer for conventional arms control, and subsequently for the European Security and Defence Policy (ESDP).

In 2000 he became Head of the ESDP Division in the Department of European Security Policy. From 2001 to 2007 he was Head of the Political Section (Political Counselor) at the Embassy in Washington, and subsequently Counsellor at the Permanent Mission to the United Nations for three years.

Ericson has a B.Sc. in economics and business administration from the Stockholm School of Economics. He studied Political Science, Soviet and East European Studies, Russian and French at the universities of Uppsala and Stockholm, and fulfilled his military service at the Armed Forces Language School. In addition to his Swedish mother tongue, he speaks English, Russian, and French. He enjoys running, having completed nine marathons, and playing the guitar.

Peter Ericson is married to acclaimed Swedish author Stina Stoor.