

# CV

## Robert Rydberg

### Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs



#### Ministry of Foreign Affairs

#### Areas of responsibility

Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs

#### Personal

Born 9 April 1955 in Stockholm. Married, two children.

#### Educational background

Master of Laws, with specialisation in European and international private law, Stockholm University

#### Positions and assignments

State Secretary to Minister for Foreign Affairs Ann Linde 2019–

Ambassador to the Italian Republic 2015–2019  
Concurrently accredited to the Republic of San Marino, the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations (FAO), the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) and the World Food Programme (WFP)

Deputy Director-General  
Head of Department for Middle East and North Africa, MFA 2008–2015

Ambassador at the Ministry for Foreign Affairs  
Africa Department, special mission for Chad 2007–2008

Ambassador to the State of Israel 2003–2007

Ambassador to the Democratic Republic of the Congo 2001–2003  
Concurrently accredited to the Central African Republic, the Gabonese Republic, the Republic of Cameroon, the Republic of Chad, the Republic of the Congo and the Republic of Equatorial Guinea

Chair of the EU Committee for Civilian Aspects of Crisis Management (CivCom) 2001



Director Deputy Head of the Department for European Security Policy, MFA	1999–2001
Counsellor, Deputy Director Department for Global Security, MFA Coordinator for Security Council affairs (Swedish membership of the UN Security Council 1997–1998)	1995–1998
First Secretary (Political and Legal Affairs) Permanent Mission of Sweden to the United Nations in New York	1992–1995
First Secretary Legation of Sweden in Pretoria	1988–1992
Second Secretary and First Secretary Department for Disarmament and Security Policy, MFA	1984–1988
Secretary-General National Council of Swedish Youth	1978–1983
Ombudsman, Swedish Social Democratic Youth League, Gotland	1977–1978
Chair, Värnpliktiga Arbetsgruppen (Conscript Working Group)	1976–1977

#### **Additional information**

Swedish (mother tongue)

English, French, Italian, Spanish, German, Hebrew, Afrikaans

State Secretary: Political appointee at the Government Offices immediately responsible to the Head of the Ministry or other minister for the work of the ministry. Duties include planning and coordination.

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