



Caecilia Wijgers

Current position: Ambassador of The Netherlands to Afghanistan

Started diplomatic career in Latvia in 1993 following independence, served in Pakistan 1998-2001, in Burkina Faso 2001-2005 and as Dep. Head of Mission of the Netherlands Embassy in Cuba until 2009. Main themes: human rights, good governance, political affairs.

Returned in 2009 to The Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs as Dep. Head of Division Political Affairs of the UN Department. Focused on UN peacekeeping and peacebuilding with specialisation in civil-military cooperation. Served in 2012 as Senior Advisor on Rule of Law to the Integrated Police Training Mission in Afghanistan.

Prepared as Coordinator of the Sherpa Support Team the Nuclear Security Summit 2014 in The Hague. Served as Dep. Head of Mission of the Netherlands Embassy in Accra, Ghana and implemented the Dutch Aid to Trade agenda in 2014-2018. Served as Ambassador of The Netherlands in Burundi in 2018-2020, managed a post-conflict programme. Currently Ambassador of The Netherlands to Afghanistan, location Doha.

Born on 31 July 1967, mother of three children of 22, 21 and 19 years old.