Executive Council



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NOTE BY THE TECHNICAL SECRETARIAT

NOMINATION BY HUNGARY OF A CANDIDATE FOR THE APPOINTMENT TO THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR-GENERAL

- 1. At its 108th Session, the Executive Council (the Council) adopted a decision on the "Road Map for the Process of the Appointment of the Next Director-General in 2025" (EC-108/DEC.5, dated 6 March 2025), requesting the Chairperson of the Council to invite, on the Council's behalf, States Parties to present their nominations of candidates for the position of Director-General of the Technical Secretariat of the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) by no later than 16 May 2025, to enable their consideration by the Council.
- 2. The Permanent Representation of Hungary to the OPCW has submitted to the Technical Secretariat a note verbale informing it of the nomination of H.E. Ambassador András Kocsis, former Permanent Representative of Hungary to the OPCW, as candidate for the position of Director-General.
- 3. In accordance with EC-108/DEC.5, the above-mentioned note verbale is herewith conveyed to the members of the Council.

Annex (English only):

Note Verbale No. 21/2025/HUEMB/HGA from the Permanent Representation of Hungary to the OPCW Dated 18 March 2025

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EMBASSY OF HUNGARY THE HAGUE

No.: 21/2025/HUEMB/HGA

The Hague, 18 March 2025

Note Verbale

The Permanent Representation of Hungary to the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons presents its compliments to the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons and further to letter L/PMO-558/25 of the Chairperson of the Executive Council, has the honour to submit the nomination of Ambassador András Kocsis, former Permanent Representative of Hungary to the OPCW, as a candidate for the position of the next Director-General of the Technical Secretariat of the OPCW.

The Permanent Representation of Hungary to the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons the assurances of its highest consideration.

Enclosed: The curriculum vitae of Ambassador András Kocsis



The Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons <u>The Hague</u>

AMBASSADOR ANDRÁS KOCSIS



Executive summary

- Career diplomat with a proven track record in bilateral and multilateral diplomacy, security policy and non-proliferation, regularly engaging with political stakeholders and international organisations
- More than a decade-long expertise in OPCW issues in The Hague
- 14+ years in senior management roles devising and executing strategy, financial planning and monitoring in complex international political ecosystems
- Diplomatic postings in Africa and Europe

Professional experience

2024-present	Head of Department for International Energy Relations
	Ministry of Energy of Hungary

• Representing Hungary at the international organisations responsible for energy issues

2016-2023 Ambassador of Hungary to the Kingdom of the Netherlands Permanent Representative to the OPCW Embassy of Hungary in The Hague, the Netherlands

- Head of the Hungarian delegation at the OPCW CSPs from 2016 to 2023, and the RC-5 in 2023
- Regularly liaised with the various international organizations and agencies based in The Hague
- Managed a staff of 20 professionals from diverse fields of expertise
- 2016
- Head of Cabinet, Deputy State Secretariat for European and American Affairs Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Budapest, Hungary
- Supervised and coordinated the operation of various departments in the Headquarters and diplomatic representations abroad (approx. 40 staff)
- 2012-2015 Deputy Head of Mission, Deputy Permanent Representative to the OPCW Embassy of Hungary in The Hague, the Netherlands
 - Participated in the preparation of the relevant EC and CSP sessions within the regional group

2012 Head of Cabinet, Deputy State Secretariat for EU Bilateral Relations, Press and Cultural Diplomacy, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Budapest, Hungary

- Responsible for bilateral, as well as OSCE and Council of Europe issues
- 2010-2012 Head of Unit, Department for International Development Cooperation and Humanitarian Assistance, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Budapest, Hungary
 - Drafted and managed the annual budget allocated for international development cooperation
- 2003-2010 Various positions at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Hungary, including an overseas posting as Deputy Head of Mission and Deputy Permanent Representative to UNEP and UN-Habitat at the Embassy of Hungary in Kenya

Education and qualifications

- Hungarian Bar Exam
- Faculty of Law, Eötvös Loránd University (Hungary), Master of Laws (LLM) degree
- Faculty of Law, University of Innsbruck (Austria), scholarship in international law

Languages

• English, French, Dutch, Hungarian

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