

MATSUKAWA Rui

Parliamentary Vice-Minister of Defense



Date of Birth February 1971
Member of the House of Councilors, Oosaka Prefecture

Education

Mar 1986 Graduated from Shitennoji Junior High School
Mar 1989 Graduated from Shitennoji Senior High School
Mar 1993 Graduated from the University of Tokyo Faculty of Law
Oct 1997 Graduated from Georgetown University School of Foreign Service

Political Career

Apr 1993 Joined Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA)
1999-2002 Treaties Division, MOFA
2002-2004 Assistant Director, Regional Policy Division, Asian and Oceanian Affairs Bureau, MOFA
2004-2006 First Secretary, Delegation of Japan to the Conference on Disarmament (Switzerland)
2009-2011 Deputy-Director, Intelligence and Analysis Service, MOFA
2011-2013 Deputy Secretary-General, Trilateral Cooperation Secretariat (Republic of Korea)
2014-2016 Director, Gender Mainstreaming Division, Foreign Policy Bureau, MOFA
Feb 2016 Retired from MOFA
July 2016 Elected to the House of Councilors in Osaka Prefecture (first term)
(HC) Member, Committee on Foreign Affairs and Defense
Member, Committee on Budget
Director, Special Committee on ODA and Related Matters and others
(LDP) Deputy Director, Foreign Affairs Division
Deputy Director, Economy, Trade and Industry Division
Deputy Director-General, International Bureau
Deputy Director, Women's Affairs Division
Chief Secretary, Headquarters for Promoting women's Active Participation
Vice President, Central Institute of Politics and others
Sep 2020 Parliamentary Vice-Minister of Defense
Parliamentary Vice-Minister of Cabinet Office

Hobbies Japanese tea ceremony, travelling, playing the piano, pottery, reading, watching figure skating, dancing such as salsa

Language English, Korean

Strength and weakness Strength: Achieve results. Have flexible mind.
Weakness: Not good with detailed things.