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Ms Tanja Jääskeläinen is Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Finland to Japan since September 2022, to Palau since February 2023, to Micronesia since May 2024 and to Marshall Islands since March 2025.

Prior to her current position she served as Deputy Director General of Political Affairs at the Ministry for Foreign Affairs (2018-2022) covering Finland's foreign and security policy in general as well as a wide range of global political and security issues and international organizations.

Ms Jääskeläinen has also a lot of experience from the Middle East and North Africa regions having served as Special Representative to Syria Crisis (2017-2018) and Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Finland to Tunisia and Libya (2013-2017) and previously as Deputy Head of Mission at the Embassy in Damascus (2001-2003).

Her two postings in Europe acquainted her also with European Affairs. She has served first at the Embassy in Budapest (1996-2000) and later as Minister and Deputy Head of Mission in London (2009-2013). She has worked for the Finnish Foreign Ministry since 1995 including two years as Senior Adviser to the Minister for Foreign Affairs (2007-2009).

Ms Jääskeläinen graduated from Tampere University in 1993 with both Master of Political Science and Master of Philosophy. She is married and has 3 adult children. In her freetime she enjoys swimming, running and reading.

