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Juha Niemi (Mr) is Deputy Director General of the Department for the Americas and Asia at the Ministry for Foreign Affairs (MFA) of Finland.

Niemi joined the MFA in 2001, having since then held a variety of positions both in the headquarters in Helsinki and in the Finnish missions abroad. Before assuming his current duties, Niemi worked as the Diplomatic Adviser to the Minister for Development Cooperation and Foreign Trade in 2019-2022.

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Niemi holds a Master's Degree in Political Science from the University of Helsinki. He pursued graduate studies at the University of Tokyo in 1997-1999. Before joining the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Niemi worked in the private sector in exports and imports of forest industry products.

