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Mr. Korhonen is Ambassador of Finland to NATO since June 2019.

He was a senior member of the Policy Planning staff 2018-2019 and Ambassador for Arms Control 2013-2017 at the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland.

He served as the President of the international Arms Trade Treaty 2016-2017 (ATT Third Conference of States Parties).

Ambassador Korhonen was the Head of Finnish Delegation to the 2015 Review Conference of the Nuclear Non-proliferation Treaty (NPT). He was Chairman of the Plenary of the Global Initiative to Combat Nuclear Terrorism (GICNT) in Helsinki 2015 and served as Finland's Sherpa to the Nuclear Security Summits in The Hague 2014 and in Washington 2016.

Mr. Korhonen was Ambassador to the Netherlands and Permanent Representative to the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) 2009-2013. In The Hague he led negotiations for the 2012 Budget of the International Criminal Court (ICC) as Facilitator of the Assembly of State Parties.

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