



Mr. Tamaki Tsukada is the Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at the Embassy of Japan in Tehran, a post he assumed in December 2023.

Prior to his present position, he was Minister Plenipotentiary and Deputy Chief of Mission at the Embassy of Japan in Washington DC (2020-2023).

Mr. Tsukada was the Director General for Global Issues at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (2019-2020) after serving as Deputy DG for Economic Affairs (2019).

During this period, he was Sous Sherpa for G20 and G7, Chief Negotiator for Climate Change, and board member of several key international organizations such as the Green Climate Fund (GCF), the Global Fund to fight AIDS, TB and Malaria and the Global Alliance for Vaccination and Immunization (Gavi).

He joined the Japanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 1987 and worked in the areas of Trade (TPP and bilateral FTAs), Development Cooperation (loan aid; policy planning; budget) and Energy & Food Security, among others. He was seconded to the Cabinet Secretariat in 2006-2008 as senior coordinator for overseas Development Cooperation and Global Health.

Foreign postings include London (1990-1992, Economic & Energy); Moscow (1999-2001, Political & Foreign Policy); Geneva (2001-2004, UN Humanitarian & Human Rights); New Delhi (2011-2014, Economic & Development Cooperation); and Washington DC (2014-2017, Media and Strategic Communication and Culture).

He graduated from Tokyo University (BA Law, 1987) and Oxford University (Merton College, BA/MA Modern History, 1990).

Born on November 23, 1964, he is an amateur flautist and a lover of Shogi (Japanese chess) and math problem solving. He is accompanied by his wife. They have a daughter who is a veterinarian and a son studying biochemistry at university.