



Ioannis Vrailas

First Class Minister Plenipotentiary

- Born in 1962
- 1984: Traineeship at the **European Commission** (General Secretariat, in charge of monitoring the work of the European Parliament)
- 1985-86: **Diplomatic Academy** of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- 1986-88: **Department of the European Communities** of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, responsible for E.C-Turkey and E.C- Cyprus relations
- 1988-89: for the needs of the Greek Presidency (2nd semester 1988), **Permanent Representation of Greece in Brussels**, as national representative of the Mediterranean working group
- 1989-91: **Diplomatic Office of the Minister**
- 1992-96: **Permanent Representation of Greece to the United Nations**, responsible, among other things, for monitoring the work of the Security Council (as well as for the coordination of the local Greek Presidency during the first semester of 1994)
- 1996-99: Embassy Advisor at the **Greek Embassy in Tehran**
- 1999-2003: **European Correspondent at the A11 PESC Directorate** at the time, responsible, among other things, for questions related to the participation of Greece in the Troika (2nd semester 2002) and of the Greek Presidency of the first semester 2003
- 2004-09: **Permanent Representations of Greece to WEU and the EU**, first as Deputy Representative to the Political and Security Committee, then as Coordinator for External Relations at the Permanent Representation of Greece to the EU
- 2009-11: Minister-Counselor at the **Embassy of Greece in Washington**
- 2011-16: appointed by the **European External Action Service (EEAS)** to the position of **Deputy Permanent Representative of the European Union in New York**
- 2016-17: seconded by the EEAS to the post of **Diplomatic Advisor to the President of the UN General Assembly**
- 2017-2019: **Permanent Representative of the European Union to the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe**
- 10.01.2020: **Permanent Representative of Greece to the European Union**

He holds a degree in Economics from the University of Athens and a Postgraduate Diploma in European Studies from the Free University of Brussels. Married, three children.