

CURRICULUM VITAE

Richard Jones



Personal Details

Year of birth 1962
Place of birth Orpington, England
Civil status Single

Education

Merton College, Oxford, UK (1980-3; MA in Modern History (first class))

Dulwich College (1973-9)

Experience

01/12 – present **Ambassador of the European Union to Switzerland and the Principality of Liechtenstein**

06/08 – 12/11 **Deputy Head of Mission and Political Counsellor, UK Permanent Representation to the European Union, Brussels** (responsible for internal management of the mission; and horizontal relations with the EU Institutions)

03/07 – 03/08 **HM Consul-General, Basra, Iraq** (responsible for political and economic relations with the provinces of southern Iraq)

10/03 – 11/06 **HM Ambassador, Tirana, Albania** (responsible for the range of bilateral relations with Albania)

01/03 – 10/03 **Albanian language training**

10/00 – 01/03 **Counsellor and Deputy Head, European Union Department (Internal), Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO), London** (responsible for horizontal issues including preparations for European Councils; Justice and Home Affairs; and EU aspects of Gibraltar)

09/98 – 10/00 **Deputy Head, Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP) Department, FCO, London** (responsible for the UK's input to the CFSP on the Western Balkans; political aspects of the G8; CFSP budget)

07/94 – 09/98 **First Secretary External Relations Section, UK Permanent Representation to the European Union** (responsible for

relations with the Central European states (94-98); Turkey, Malta and Cyprus (96-97); Switzerland and the EEA (97-98))

- 10/91 – 04/94 **Desk Officer, Egypt and Sudan, Near East and North Africa Department, FCO, London**
- 09/89 – 10/91 **Desk Officer, Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe Unit, FCO, London**
- 05/86 – 09/89 **Third, later Second Secretary, Political Section, British Embassy Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates**
- 10/84 – 04/86 **Arabic Language training**
- 05/84 – 10/84 **Assistant Desk Officer, Iran, Middle East Department, FCO, London**
- 01/84 – 05/84 **Assistant Desk Officer, Arms Control and Disarmament Department, FCO, London**
- 11/83 **Joined FCO**

Interests

Places, music, words, the past, food.