

Profile:**H. E. Ambassador Irchad RAZAALY, Head of the European Union Delegation to Ghana**

Ambassador Irchad RAZAALY is a French National, born in Madagascar. He holds three Master's degrees in International Relations (Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne), Strategic Studies (Institut des Relations Internationales et Stratégiques) and Public Laws and Political Sciences (University of Antananarivo).

He began his diplomatic career from 2002 in the Africa Directorate of the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Paris until 2004. Between 2004 and 2005, he served in the Private Office (Diplomatic adviser) of the French Deputy Foreign Minister in Paris. He also served as Head of the Political & Press section in the French Embassy to South Africa (Pretoria) from 2005 to 2009.

Ambassador Razaaly was representing France to the European Union's (EU) working groups related to Development Cooperation, Humanitarian Affairs and to Africa from 2009 to 2011. Between 2014 and 2017, he served in the Private office of the European Commissioner in charge of Development before being appointed as the Manager of the EU Trust Fund aimed at the recovery, resilience and development of Central African Republic between 2014 and 2017. He moved on to serve as the Regional Head for West Africa for the European External Action Service in Brussels with the responsibility of the coordination of the European Union's engagement with 16 countries of West Africa and ECOWAS, including Sahel, from 2017 until August 2021.

He assumed the position of the Head of the Delegation / Ambassador of the European Union to Ghana from 1st September 2021.

Ambassador Razaaly speaks French, Malagasy, English and Spanish. He is married with one daughter.