

Mr. Sergio Martes was appointed Representative of Italy on the ICAO Council on 26 June 2023.

After joining the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Rome in 1997, Mr. Martes held various diplomatic postings including: Consul in Freiburg, Germany (1999), Deputy Head of Mission in Kiev, Ukraine (2002), Consul General in Sydney, Australia (2011), Ambassador in Managua, Nicaragua (2015). Additionally, while in Rome, he was assigned to the Directorate General for Human Resources and to the Department for EU Affairs.

During his 26-year tenure with the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Mr. Martes has participated in bilateral and multilateral decision-making processes related to political relations, economic development, consular issues and human resources policies.

Mr. Martes holds a Master's degree in Diplomatic Studies from the SIOI - Italian Society for International Organization in Naples and a degree in Political Science from the University of Firenze.

He was awarded *Knight of the Order of Merit of the Italian Republic*, the most senior order of the Italian Republic.