

YAKOVENKO Alexander Vladimirovich

Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation

Biography

Alexander Vladimirovich Yakovenko - Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation is in charge of multilateral diplomacy (UN, UNESCO and other international organizations, economic and humanitarian cooperation, human rights, environmental cooperation, climate change, education, culture and sport issues).

Born in 1954. Graduated from the Moscow State Institute of International Relations in 1976. Holds a Doctor of Law. Has the diplomatic rank of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary.

Dr. Alexander V.Yakovenko began his diplomatic career in 1976 and has occupied various positions at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation, including the Department of International Organizations, the Permanent Mission of the USSR to the United Nations in New York, the Foreign Policy Planning Department, the Department of International Scientific and Technical Cooperation, the Department of Security and Disarmament, the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to International Organizations in Vienna, and the Information and Press Department. Participated in numerous sessions of the UN Security Council and General Assembly, the UNESCO General Conference, various OSCE forums, negotiations on conventional armed forces in Europe and confidence building measures, the IAEA Board of Governors meetings, the Russian-American Joint Commission on Economic and Technological Cooperation, and the G8 expert meetings. Headed the Russian delegation at the International Space Station negotiations (1993-1998).

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Professional:

Since 2005 - Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation

2000-2005 - Spokesman, Director of the Information and Press Department, MFA

1997-2000 - Deputy Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to International Organizations in Vienna

1995-1997 - Deputy Director of the Department of Security and Disarmament, MFA, Russian representative at the International Science and Technology Center (ISTC) Governing Board (Moscow)

1993-1995 - Deputy Director of the Department of International Scientific and Technical Cooperation, MFA

1976-1993 - various posts at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and abroad

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Recent participation in the international forums:

2009 - Vice-President of the **Durban Review Conference** (Geneva), Head of the Russian delegation

2009 - Head of the Russian delegation at the UNECE Session (Geneva)

2009 - Head of the Russian delegation at the **UNESCO World Conference on Higher Education**

2000-2009 - UN General Assembly sessions (New York)

2000-2009 - UN Security Council meetings (New York)

- Head of the Russian delegation at the ECOSOC sessions (Geneva, New-York)

2006-2009 - Head of the Russian delegation at the Human Rights Council sessions (Geneva)

2006-2009 - Head of the Russian delegations at the UNECE Sessions (Geneva)

2008-2009 - Head of the Russian delegation at the **Alliance of Civilizations** annual forum (Madrid, Istanbul)

2008 - Head of the Russian delegation at the Special Session of the FAO Conference (Rome)

2008 - Head of the Russian delegation at the **UNEP** Special Session of the Governing Council/Global Ministerial Environment Forum (Monaco)

2007 - Head of the Russian delegation at the **UNESCO** General Conference (Paris)

2007 - Vice-President of the **UNIDO** General Conference (Vienna), Head of the Russian delegation

2006-2007 - Head of the Russian delegation at the **UNESCAP** Session (Alma-Ata, Kazakhstan; Busan, Republic of Korea)

2006 - Russian Representative at the Non-Aligned Movement Summit (Havana)

2006 - Head of the Russian delegation at the **OECD** Ministerial Council Meeting (Paris)

Date of birth: 21 October 1954

Place of birth: Gomel, the USSR

Family: Married. Has a daughter

Languages: English and French

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Academic:

Member of the Russian Academy of Natural Sciences (Moscow)

Member of the Space Council, Russian Academy of Sciences (Moscow)

Member of the International Institute of Space Law (IISL, Paris)

Member of the International Academy of Astronautics (IAA, Paris)

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Publications:

Author of several books and a manual on international law. More than 100 publications on international relations and Russian foreign policy, science, education and cultural issues.