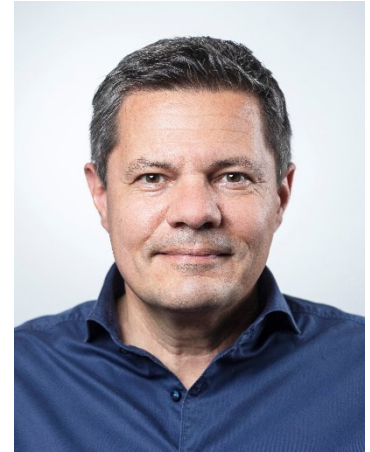


Viktor Vavricka

Ambassador Viktor Vavricka was born in 1972, in Winterthur, canton of Zurich, Switzerland and graduated at the University of Zurich with a licentiate in law.

In 2002, he entered the service of the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs and was assigned as a stagiaire in Bern and Ottawa, and subsequently as a diplomatic staff member in the Directorate of International Law.



In 2007, he was transferred to Riyadh as Deputy Head of Mission.

From 2009, he headed the Human Rights and International Humanitarian Law Section in the Directorate of International Law and, from 2011, the Asset Recovery Task Force in Bern.

From 2013, he served as Deputy Head of Mission in Bangkok and from 2017 as Deputy Head of Mission in Berlin.

Since 2020, he has been Head of the Swiss Representation Office in the Occupied Palestinian Territory in Ramallah.

On 24 September 2021, the Swiss Federal Council appointed Viktor Vavricka as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to New Zealand, Cook Islands, Fiji, Samoa, Tonga and Tuvalu, with residence in Wellington. He will also serve as Consul General to American Samoa.