The Ministry of Foreign Affairs is responsible for shaping and maintaining Hungary’s international relations, for representing national interests at a global level, and for achieving Hungary’s foreign affairs goals. Hungarian embassies and consulates operate under the direction of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

A priority area for the Ministry is the shaping of Hungary’s European Union policy, the preparation, implementation and coordination of tasks related to the European Union presidency, and representation of Hungary’s interests at member-state level within the European Union. Through the assertion of national interests and the effective pursuit of the Government’s foreign affairs priorities, the overall goal of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs is to make Hungary a strong and acknowledged player in the Central European Region, the European Union and in the international political and cultural arena.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs is led by the Minister for Foreign Affairs, **János Martonyi, Dr.**

Ministers of state and deputy state secretaries lead the various specialist departments:

The Minister of State for Foreign Affairs is **Zsolt Németh**.
The Minister of State for EU Affairs is **Enikő Győri.**
The Deputy State Secretary for EU Affairs is **Bálint Ódor.**
The Deputy State Secretary for EU Bilateral Relations, Press and Cultural Diplomacy is **Gergely Prőhle.**
The Deputy State Secretary for Global Affairs is **János Hóvári.**
The Deputy State Secretary for Security Policy is **Péter Sztáray, Dr.**
The State Secretary is **Iván Bába.**

Within the framework of shaping European Union affairs, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs prepares, supervises and implements tasks and obligations arising from the Government’s European policy, and it develops the Hungarian Government’s official standpoint. It oversees bilateral relations with the European Union, and it directs cultural diplomacy. It is responsible for Hungary’s role in global international organisations, and for Hungary’s obligations in humanitarian and human rights fields. It supervises the development of Hungary’s standpoint on global economic affairs, sustainable development, energy security and other questions related to global challenges. The Ministry develops the Hungarian government’s standpoint on general foreign and security policy issues, with particular reference to our membership of the European Union and NATO.

In addition to heads of cabinet, government officials working in various specialist areas within the Ministry assist the Minister and Ministers of State in their work, taking part in the preparation of decisions and in implementation tasks. The Ministry’s main organisational units are the Ministerial Cabinet, the Offices of the Ministers of State, the Offices of Deputy Ministers of State, and specialist departments and units. Compared to other ministries, the Offices of Deputy Ministers of State are given a greater role in the Ministry’s organisational structure. Diplomats working in foreign representations under the direction of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs represent and assert Hungarian foreign policy interests at an international level.