## **Curriculum Vitae**

Name: Szabolcs TAKÁCS

**Date and place of birth:** Budapest, April 1, 1971

**Education:** 

1989-1991 University of Zagreb, Croatia, Faculty of Arts and Humanities, major in English

Language and Literature

1991 – 1999 University of Pécs, Hungary, Faculty of Arts and Humanities, major in English

and Croatian Language and Literature, major in Political Sciences

1999-2002 University of Pécs, Hungary, Faculty of Law, major in European Law

1999-2002 Corvinus University of Budapest, Faculty of Social Sciences, Master of Arts in

**International Relations** 

Degrees:

BA in English Language and Literature (1999)

- Ma in Political Sciences (1999)

MA in European Studies and Law (2002)

- MA in International Relations (MA)

**Professional experience:** 

**April 22, 2002** - Joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Hungary

**April 2002 – June 2005** Department of Asia-Pacific

Desk Officer of Southeast Asia, Australia and New-Zealand

Desk Officer of the People's Republic of China

Desk Officer of India

Desk Officer of the Republic of Korea and the DPRK

ASEM coordinator and MFA contact point

Desk Officer of regional and inter-regional organisations

July 2005 – July 2009 Embassy of Hungary in Doha, State of Qatar

**Deputy Head of Mission**Cultural and Press Affairs
Head of Trade Section

First Secretary, (as of January 2009)

July 2009 – May 2010 Director, Office of the Deputy State Secretary in charge of

bilateral relations with non-European countries and

International Development Cooperation

May 2010 – August 2010 Director, Office of the Deputy State Secretary in charge of

**Global Affairs** 

**August 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011 Deputy Director General**, Department of Asia-Pacific

July 1, 2011 – July 15, 2012 Director General, Department of Asia-Pacific

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**Other professional experience:** Deputy Head of Task Force organising the 10th ASEM Foreign

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July 2011 – July 2012 ASEM Senior Official of Hungary

Publications: Asian Studies 2011 (MKI, 2011.)

The Implementation of Hungary's Asia-policy during the Hungarian Presidency of the Council of the European Union (by István Szerdahelyi, Szabolcs Takács, Péter Wintermantel)

**Europe and Asia in the Globalizing World** 

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