



**HE Mr Maurizio Busanelli, Permanent Representative of Italy to the African Union and the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa in Ethiopia**

HE Maurizio Busanelli is the Permanent Representative of Italy to the African Union since 3 June 2024.

He joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 2001 and has since held several positions. In 2003 he was posted to Yaoundé as First Secretary and Deputy Head of Mission until 2007, when he was appointed Consul at the Consulate General of Italy in Zurich. In 2011 he returned to the Foreign Ministry holding the position of Deputy Head and later Head of the Visa Centre at the Directorate General for Italian Citizens Abroad and Migration Policies. In 2014 he was posted to Maputo until 2018, when he was appointed Consul General at the Consulate General of Italy in Lagos (Nigeria). In August 2022 he returned to the Foreign Ministry holding the position of Coordinator for international financial issues and relations with the Bank of Italy.

Amb. Busanelli graduated in Political Sciences at the Catholic University in Milan and is Knight of the Order of Merit of the Republic of Italy.