

## Résumé

# Seyed Abbas Araghchi

## Minister of Foreign Affairs

### Islamic Republic of Iran

*Born: 1962*

*Married with four children*

#### Education:

- **PhD in Political Science**  
Politics and Government  
*Alma Mater:* University of Kent, UK (Grad: 1996)

#### Languages:

- **Persian (Farsi):** Native
- **English:** Fluent
- **Arabic:** Good

#### Honours and Awards:

- **Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays**  
Government of Japan (2022)
- National **Medal of Merit and Management (2<sup>nd</sup> Class)**  
President of the I.R. Iran (2016)
- National **Golden Award of Recognition**  
President of the I.R. Iran (2013)
- **Researcher of Merit** of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA); awarded by the Ministry of Science, Research, and Technology (MSRT) (2005)

*Also: Multiple commendations from Presidents, Ministers of Foreign Affairs, and other high-ranking officials*

## **Career History:**

- **Secretary of the Council for Foreign Relations**  
(Since Mar 2021)
- **Advisor to the Minister of Foreign Affairs**  
(Sep 2021 - Mar 2024)
- **Deputy Foreign Minister for Political Affairs**  
(Feb 2018 - Sep 2021)
- **Chief Negotiator** in Nuclear Negotiations  
(Sep 2013 - Sep 2021)
- **Deputy Foreign Minister for Legal and International Affairs** (Sep 2013 - Feb 2018)
- **Spokesperson**, Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
(May 2013 - Sep 2013)
- **Deputy Foreign Minister for Asia and Oceania**  
(Dec 2011 - Sep 2013)
- **Ambassador of the I.R. Iran to Tokyo, Japan**  
(Feb 2008 - Oct 2011)
- **Deputy Foreign Minister for Legal and International Affairs** (Dec 2005 - Feb 2008)
- **Dean of the School of International Relations** of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
(Dec 2004 - Dec 2005)
- **Director of the First Department for Western Europe**, Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
(Oct 2003-Nov 2004)
- **Ambassador of the I.R. Iran to Helsinki, the Republic of Finland** (Dec 1999 - Sep 2003)
- **Ambassador Accredited of the I.R Iran to Tallinn, the Republic of Estonia** (Dec 1999 - Sep 2003)
- **Director-General of the Institute for Political and International Studies (IPIS)**  
(Feb 1999 - Dec 1998)
- **IPIS Deputy Director for Research** (Sep 1998 - Feb 1999)
- **Head of the IPIS Centre for Persian Gulf Studies**  
(1997 - 1998)
- **Founder and Acting Head of the I.R. Iran's Mission to the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC)**

**Jeddah (1992)**

- **Deputy Director of the Directorate for Islamic, Regional and Non-Aligned Organisations**, MFA (1991 - 1993)
- **Expert/Officer, International Affairs Department**, MFA (1989 - 1991)

## **Academic and Cultural Records:**

- **Faculty Member (Associate Professor)** at the School of International Relations, MFA  
(Jul 2005 - Present)
- **Dean of the School of International Relations**, MFA  
(Dec 2004 - Dec 2005)
- **Visiting Professor of the Executive Management Programme, University of Tokyo** (2008-2009)
- **Top-Ranked MFA Researcher of Merit**, awarded by the MSRT (2005)
- **Member of Council of Foreign Policy Strategy**  
MFA (2005-2021)
- **Member of the Commission of Social and Educational Sciences, State Council of Scientific Researches** (1999)
- **Editor-in-Chief, Foreign Policy** (journal)  
(1998-2000)
- **Member of Editorial Board, Foreign Policy** (since 2000)
- **Member of Editorial Board, *Hamshahri Diplomatic*** (foreign policy quarterly) (2006-2007)
- **Chairman of Board of Directors, Iran-Finland Friendship Association** (since 2006)
- **Member of Board of Directors of the Iranian International Relations Association** (since 2013)
- **Member of Board of Directors of the Federation of the Blind and Visually Impaired** (2013 - 2023)
- **Member of Board of Trustees of the School of International Relations, MFA** (2004-2005)

- **Member of the Strategic Council of the Foundation for Preservation and Publication of the Values and Works of the Holy Defence** (since Dec 2022)
- **Lecturer at the MFA School of International Relations, Faculty of World Studies of the University of Tehran, and the Supreme National Defence University** (in Persian (Farsi) and English) (since 1996)
- **Lecturer in numerous short-term courses**, including diplomatic rank promotion courses (since 2004)
- **Supervisor, advisor, and examiner** of numerous doctoral dissertations and master's and undergraduate theses (since 1996)
- **Member of various academic councils at the Deputy Foreign Minister's Office for Research** (since 1996)
- **Participated and presented papers in numerous domestic and international academic conferences and seminars** (since 1996)
- **Delivered numerous speeches at national and foreign universities and academic centres** (since 1996)
- **Secretary of various national and international academic and political conferences;**  
*Latest:* The Iranian-Arab Dialogue Conference (May 2024)
- **Authored six (6) books and published over 45 articles in reputable national and international scholarly journals**