

# CURRICULUM VITAE

of

**H.E. KEO Chhea**

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

Full name : KEO Chhea  
Sex : Male  
Date of Birth : 21 November, 1956  
Place of Birth : Prey Veng Province, Cambodia  
Marital Status : Married with two daughters

## EDUCATION

2000 : Master of Arts in Foreign Affairs and Trade, Monash University, Melbourne, Australia  
1996 : Post-Graduate Diploma in International Law, Indian Academy of International Law (IAIL), New Delhi, India  
1991 : English Proficiency Certificate, Regional Institute of English, Chandigarh, India  
1985 : Bachelor of Arts in English Literature and Linguistics, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India.

## PROFESSIONAL CAREER:

1979 - 1982 : Support staff, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Cambodia  
1985 - 1991 : Desk Officer, Mass Communication Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Cambodia.  
1991 - 1992 : Bureau Chief, Cabinet of Minister of Foreign Affairs, State of Cambodia  
1992 - 1996 : First Secretary, Royal Embassy of Cambodia to the Republic of India.  
1996 - 1999 : Deputy Head of the Political-Security Cooperation, General Department of ASEAN, MFA.IC, Kingdom of Cambodia.  
2000 - 2001 : First Secretary, Royal Cambodian Embassy to Brunei Darussalam.  
2001 - 2003 : Deputy Director-General of ASEAN in charge of political-security cooperation, General Department of ASEAN, MFA.IC, Kingdom of Cambodia.  
2003 - 2009 : Head of Special Programs Division, the ASEAN Secretariat, Jakarta, Indonesia

2009 – Nov. 2016 : Head of External Relations Division, the ASEAN Secretariat, Jakarta, Indonesia.

Dec. 2016 – Dec. 2019: Dean of TSS, University of Cambodia, Phnom Penh, Cambodia.

Feb. 2017 – present: Advisor to the MFA.IC on ASEAN and NIDIR affairs (Undersecretary of State rank)

**RANK** : **Undersecretary of State**

**DECORATIONS:**

1994 : Krishna Menon Gold Medal for achieving top score in Post Graduate Diploma on International Law, by IAIL, New Delhi, India.

1998 : Order of Merits - Bronze Class, by the Royal Government of Cambodia.

2001 : Order of Merits - Silver Class, by the Royal Government of Cambodia.

2003 : Order of Merits - Gold Class, by the Royal Government of Cambodia.

2018 : Royal Order of Cambodia - Chevalier Class, by the Royal Government of Cambodia.

2020 : Royal Order of Cambodia - Officer Class, by the Royal Government of Cambodia.

**LANGUAGES:**

- Khmer (Mother tongue)
- English

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