LUIS ALBERTO CASTRO JOO Ambassador in the Peruvian Diplomatic Service He joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 1994

Ambassador Luis Alberto Castro Joo, took over as Secretary General of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on February 17, 2021.

In Lima, he has worked in the Cabinet of the Minister of Foreign Affairs (1994), in the Cabinet of the Deputy Minister Secretary General of Foreign Affairs (2001-2003), and in the General Secretariat of the Presidency of the Republic (2004), (2011-2012). He was a member of the Foreign Ministry's negotiating team for the negotiations aimed at signing the Trade Promotion Agreement with the United States of America (2004-2005). He has also been Director of Negotiations of Free Trade Agreements (2010-2011), Director of Integration (2012-2013), and Head of the General Office of Planning and Budget (2018-2021).

Abroad, he has served in the Permanent Mission of Peru to the United Nations and other International Organizations, based in Geneva, Switzerland (1996-2001); and in the Permanent Mission of Peru to the Organization of American States (OAS), based in Washington D.C., United States of America (2005-2010). He has also served as Deputy Consul General of Peru in Buenos Aires, Argentina (2013-2015) and as Head of Chancery at the Embassy of Peru in Romania, concurrent with Serbia, Croatia, Macedonia, Montenegro, Moldova, Bosnia and Herzegovina. (2015-2018).

Ambassador Castro Joo is a career diplomat and holds a Master's degree in International Political Economy (University of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, England. Chevening scholar), a Bachelor's degree in International Relations (Diplomatic Academy of Peru) and a Bachelor's degree in Law and Lawyer (Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú). He has also completed postgraduate studies and diplomas in Integration Processes (Diplomatic Academy of Peru), Development, Public Policies and Regional Integration (Latin American Faculty of Social Sciences (FLACSO), Buenos Aires, Argentina) and Specialization in Public Management (UNMSM-National School of Public Policies, Lima).