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**Global Green Growth Institute**

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Thirteenth Session of the Council (Joint Session)

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## **Note on the Election of Members to Governance Organs**

### **Purpose**

1. The purpose of this Note is to provide Members with information on the election of Members of the Council and the Vice-Presidents of the Assembly/Vice-Chairs of the Council for 2021-2022. The following are to be elected at the Hybrid Meeting of the Ninth Session of the Assembly and the Thirteenth Session of the Council (Joint Session) on October 28, 2020:
  - a. Three Contributing Members and five Participating Members to serve on the Council for the period of January 1, 2021-December 31, 2022;
  - b. One Expert/Non-State Actor to serve on the Council for the period of January 1, 2021-December 31, 2022; and
  - c. One Contributing Member and one Participating Member to serve as the two Vice-Presidents of the Assembly/Vice-Chairs of the Council for the period of January 1, 2021-December 31, 2022.
2. Members are invited to communicate to the Institute their interest to serve as a Member of the Council and/or one of the two Vice-Presidents of the Assembly/Vice-Chairs of the Council.

### **Election of Council Members**

#### *Composition of the Council*

3. Article 8(2) of the Agreement on the Establishment of GGGI (Establishment Agreement) states that “The Council shall consist of no more than seventeen members, as follows:
  - a. Five contributing members elected by the Assembly;
  - b. Five participating members elected by the Assembly;
  - c. Five experts or non-state actors who can contribute substantially to the objectives of the GGGI, appointed by the Council;
  - d. The host country, which shall have a permanent seat on the Council; and
  - e. The Director-General without a voting right.”
4. Article 3(a) of the Establishment Agreement defines Contributing Member as “a Member of the GGGI that has provided a multi-year financial contribution of core funding of no less than 15 million USD over three years or 10 million USD over the first two years.”

5. Article 7.5(a) of the Establishment Agreement states that the functions of the Assembly include “electing members to the Council, in accordance with Article 8.2, and considering the principle of rotation.”
6. Rule 49(b) of the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly [A/4/DC/2] states that “The term of office of each Member of the Council shall begin on January 1 of the coming calendar year after such Member’s election to the Council and shall end on December 31 of the second year of the term of appointment.”
7. Rule 49(c) of the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly also states that “Contributing and Participating Members of the Council shall be eligible in principle to serve up to two consecutive terms.”

*Council Terms Ending on December 31, 2020*

8. On December 31, 2020, the terms of three Contributing Members and five Participating Members will end, namely:
  - 1) Australia (contributing)
  - 2) Fiji (participating)
  - 3) Indonesia (contributing)
  - 4) Jordan (participating)
  - 5) Paraguay (participating)
  - 6) Qatar (contributing)
  - 7) Rwanda (participating)
  - 8) Senegal (participating)
9. The Contributing Members that have not served two or more consecutive terms in the last four years (2017-2020) are Denmark, Norway, and Qatar. Australia and Indonesia have served two or more consecutive terms on the Council.
10. The Participating Members that have not served two or more consecutive terms in the last four years (2017-2020) are Angola, Burkina Faso, Cambodia, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire,<sup>1</sup> Ecuador, Ethiopia, Fiji, Guyana, Hungary, Kiribati, Kyrgyz Republic, Lao PDR, Mexico, Mongolia, OECS, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Tonga, Uganda, Uzbekistan, Vanuatu, and Viet Nam. Jordan, Rwanda, and Senegal have served two or more consecutive terms on the Council.
11. For details on the list of Members and number of terms on the Council, see Annex 1.
12. In addition, Members may wish to give due consideration to the following criteria for the election of Members to serve on the Council:

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<sup>1</sup> Côte d'Ivoire submitted the Instrument of Accession on August 25, 2020 and is expected to become a Member on September 24, 2020.

- a. Geographic balance: For the composition of the Council to reflect GGGI's membership base geographically and give consideration of the Council's role in membership expansion activities. Annex 2 provides information on the composition of the Assembly by geographic distribution.
- b. Country vulnerability-level balance: To ensure the alignment of the composition of the Council with GGGI's commitment, as outlined in the Strategy 2030 implementation roadmap, and to balance operations in vulnerable countries (Least Developed Countries (LDCs), Land-Locked Developing Countries (LLDCs), and Small Island Developing States (SIDS) and Middle-Income Countries (MICs). Annex 3 provides information on the composition of the Assembly by country vulnerability and income level.

*Expert/Non-State Actor Members of the Council*

13. There is currently one vacant seat for Expert/Non-State Actor Member of the Council.
14. Rule 5 of the Rules of Procedure of the Council [C/8/DC/2/FINAL] states:
  - a. Prospective Experts and Non-State Actor members of the Council may be nominated by a member of the Council, including the Director-General, and shall be appointed by the Council in accordance with Article 8.2(c) of the Agreement; and
  - b. Experts or Non-State Actors are in principle eligible to serve up to two consecutive terms, unless otherwise decided by the Council.
15. Rule 6 of the Rules of Procedure of the Council states, any candidates selected to serve as an Expert or Non-State Actor shall:
  - a. Be supportive of the objectives presented in Article 2 of the Establishment Agreement;
  - b. Be in a position at the time of selection that is consistent with term "Expert or Non-State Actor" (i.e., not hold a government position or be a representative of any state);
  - c. Be a recognized authority in a field of direct relevance to the accomplishment of the objectives of GGGI, and originate from one of the five categories:
    - i. business sector;
    - ii. cities/regions;
    - iii. science community;
    - iv. finance/investor community; and
    - v. environment community
  - d. Have the capacity to present a viewpoint that enhances the breadth and depth of debate in the Council in executing its responsibilities as articulated in the Agreement; and
  - e. Be willing and able to serve on the Council and participate in sessions of the Council and Sub-Committee meetings or other meetings of governance organs as may be necessary.
16. Members of the Council are informed that the Republic of Korea has nominated Mr. Boonam Shin, former Ambassador of the Republic of Korea, for the vacant Expert/Non-State Actor Member seat on the Council (bio attached).

17. Members of the Council may make additional nominations before October 23, 2020, 1700 KST and the Council will appoint the new Expert/Non-State Actor Council Member, for the term of 2021-2022, during the Hybrid Meeting of the Assembly and Council Joint Session on October 28.

18. Annex 4 shows the list of Expert/Non-State Actor Members of the Council since 2012.

**Election of Vice-Presidents of the Assembly/Vice-Chairs of the Council***Bureau of the Assembly and the Council*

19. The Bureau of the Assembly shall be comprised of one President and two Vice-Presidents elected by Members of the Assembly, and the Bureau of the Council shall be comprised of one Chair and two Vice-Chairs elected by Members of the Council, according to the Establishment Agreement, Rule 9 of the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly and Rule 11 of the Rules of Procedure of the Council.

20. As part of Governance Reforms of GGGI, Members decided that the Members of the Bureau of the Council will be the same members as the Bureau of the Assembly [C/6/DC/6] at the Sixth Session of the Council in November 2014.

21. In accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly, one Vice-President shall be a Contributing Member and one Vice-President shall be a Participating Member, and the Rules of Procedure of the Council also provide that the election of the Bureau shall give due regard to the balanced representation among Contributing and Participating Members.

22. Annex 5 outlines the relevant Rules of Procedure of the Assembly and of the Council regarding the election of the Bureau.

*Vice-President/Vice-Chair Terms Ending on December 31, 2020*

23. On December 31, 2020, the terms of two Vice-Presidents/Vice-Chairs will end, namely:

- a. Republic of Korea (Contributing); and
- b. Senegal (Participating)

24. Annex 6 shows the list of Vice-Presidents/Vice-Chairs that have served on the Assembly and the Council in previous years.

**Members' Expression of Interest**

25. The Institute invites Members to express their interest to serve on the Council, or as Vice-President of the Assembly/Vice-Chair of the Council, in written form to [governance@gggi.org](mailto:governance@gggi.org).

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## General Distribution

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### Annex 1: Members' Terms on the Council, 2012-2021

	Member	Accession	Status	2012-2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
1	<b>Angola</b>	Oct 24, 2019	Participating									
2	<b>Australia</b>	Oct 17, 2014	Contributing	Contributing		Contributing		Contributing		Contributing		
3	<b>Burkina Faso</b>	Mar 15, 2019	Participating									
4	<b>Cambodia</b>	Feb 22, 2013	Participating									
5	<b>Costa Rica</b>	Sep 18, 2014	Participating	Participating		Participating		Participating				
6	<b>Côte d'Ivoire</b>	Aug 25, 2020	Participating									
7	<b>Denmark</b>	Aug 16, 2012	Contributing	Cont.	Contributing		Contributing					
8	<b>Ecuador</b>	Oct 24, 2019	Participating									
9	<b>Ethiopia</b>	Jul 5, 2013	Participating	Participating		Participating		Participating				
10	<b>Fiji</b>	Mar 26, 2014	Participating							Participating		
11	<b>Guyana</b>	Sep 4, 2012	Participating									
12	<b>Hungary</b>	Jan 14, 2016	Participating									
13	<b>Indonesia</b>	Sep 26, 2014	Contributing	Participating		Participating		Contributing		Contributing		
14	<b>Jordan</b>	Apr 10, 2014	Participating					Participating		Participating		
15	<b>Kiribati</b>	Sep 18, 2012	Participating	Part.	Participating							
16	<b>Kyrgyz Republic</b>	Apr 15, 2020	Participating									
17	<b>Lao PDR</b>	Sep 7, 2017	Participating									
18	<b>Mexico</b>	Oct 20, 2014	Participating	Part.								
19	<b>Mongolia</b>	Jun 20, 2014	Participating									
20	<b>Norway</b>	Aug 26, 2013	Contributing	Cont.	Contributing		Contributing		Contributing			
21	<b>OECS</b>	Oct 24, 2019	Participating									
22	<b>PNG</b>	Mar 11, 2013	Participating		Participating							
23	<b>Paraguay</b>	Aug 14, 2018	Participating							Participating		
24	<b>Peru</b>	Sep 19, 2016	Participating									
25	<b>Philippines</b>	Oct 9, 2012	Participating									
26	<b>Qatar</b>	Feb 22, 2013	Contributing	Contributing		Contributing				Contributing		
27	<b>Rwanda</b>	Aug 12, 2016	Participating					Participating		Participating		
28	<b>Senegal</b>	Nov 9, 2014	Participating					Participating		Participating		
29	<b>Sri Lanka</b>	Dec 14, 2018	Participating									
30	<b>Thailand</b>	Jan 29, 2016	Participating									
31	<b>Tonga</b>	Nov 17, 2018	Participating									

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32	<b>UAE</b>	Apr 29, 2013	Contributing	Contributing	Contributing	Contributing		Contributing	
33	<b>Uganda</b>	Jul 29, 2019	Participating						
34	<b>UK</b>	May 28, 2013	Contributing				Contributing	Contributing	
35	<b>Uzbekistan</b>	Feb 7, 2019	Participating						
36	<b>Vanuatu</b>	Nov 7, 2014	Participating						
37	<b>Viet Nam</b>	Dec 12, 2012	Participating						
38	<b>ROK</b>	Nov 29, 2012	Contributing	Permanent seat (Host country)					

## Annex 2: Composition of the Assembly by Geographic Region

Asia-Pacific	Latin America / Caribbean	Africa / Middle East	Europe
Australia	Costa Rica	Angola	Denmark
Cambodia	Ecuador	Burkina Faso	Hungary
Fiji	Guyana	Côte d'Ivoire	Norway
Indonesia	Mexico	Ethiopia	United Kingdom
Kiribati	OECS	Jordan	
Korea	Paraguay	Rwanda	
Kyrgyz Republic	Peru	Senegal	
Lao PDR		Uganda	
Mongolia		Qatar	
Papua New Guinea		United Arab Emirates	
Philippines			
Sri Lanka			
Thailand			
Tonga			
Uzbekistan			
Vanuatu			
Viet Nam			

## Annex 3: Composition of the Assembly by Country Vulnerability and Income Level

Vulnerable Countries*	Lower Middle Income	Upper Middle Income	High Income
Angola	Côte d'Ivoire	Costa Rica	Australia
Burkina Faso	Indonesia	Ecuador	Denmark
Cambodia	Jordan	Mexico	Hungary
Ethiopia	Philippines	Peru	Korea
Fiji	Sri Lanka	Thailand	Norway
Guyana	Viet Nam		Qatar
Kiribati			United Arab Emirates
Kyrgyz Republic			United Kingdom
Lao PDR			
Mongolia			
OECS			
Papua New Guinea			
Paraguay			
Rwanda			
Senegal			
Tonga			
Uganda			
Uzbekistan			
Vanuatu			

\* Vulnerable countries refer to Least Developed Countries (LDCs), Landlocked Developing Countries (LLDCs), and Small Island Developing States (SIDS).



Annex 4: Expert/Non-State Actor Members of the Council 2012-2021

Organization and name	2012-2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Mr. Lars Løkke Rasmussen, former Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Denmark	Term 1								
Mr. Sang-hyup Kim, Senior Secretary to the President for Green Growth	Term 1								
Dr. Suh-Yong Chung, Professor, Division of International Studies, Korea University		Term 1							
Lord Nicholas Stern, IG Patel Professor of Economics and Government and Chair, London School of Economics	Term 1								
Dr. Montek Ahluwalia, former Deputy Chairman, Planning Commission, Government of India	Term 1	Term 2							
Dr. Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono, former President of the Republic of Indonesia (2004-2014)			Term 1						
Mr. Peter Bakker, President and CEO, World Business Council for Sustainable Development			Term 1						
Mr. Mark Watts, Executive Director, C40 Cities Climate Leadership Group			Term 1		Term 2				
Dr. Hoesung Lee, Chair, Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change			Term 1		Term 2				
Ms. Inger Andersen, Director General, International Union for the Conservation of Nature					Term 1				
Mr. Ban Ki-moon, 8 <sup>th</sup> Secretary-General of the United Nations						Term 1		Term 2	
Mr. Ariyaratne Hewage, former Chairman of the Financial Commission of Sri Lanka								Term 1	
Ms. Maria Kiwanuka, former Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development of Uganda								Term 1	
Ms. Pepukaye Bardouille, CEO for the Climate Resilience Execution Agency for Dominica								Term 1	

**Annex 5: Relevant Rules of Procedure of the Assembly and the Council**

1. The *Agreement on the Establishment of the Global Green Growth Institute* (“Establishment Agreement”) states,
  - a. “the Assembly shall elect one President and two Vice-Presidents with terms of two years” (Article 7(9)); “the President, with the support of the Vice-Presidents, shall preside over the Assembly and shall carry out the duties which are entrusted to her or him” (Article 7(10)); and “the President shall be responsible to the Assembly while it is in session” (Article 7(11)); and
  - b. “the Council shall elect one Chair and two Vice-Chairs with terms of two years” (Article 8(9)); “the Chair, with the support of the Vice-Chairs, shall preside over the Council and shall carry out the duties which are entrusted to her or him” (Article 8(10)); and “the Chair shall be responsible to the Council while it is in session” (Article 8(11)).
2. The following table provides details on the Bureau and the function of the President and Vice-Presidents and Chair and Vice-Chairs contained in the *Rules of Procedure of the Assembly* and *Rules of Procedure of the Council*, respectively.

	<b>RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE ASSEMBLY [A/4/DC/2/FINAL]</b>	<b>RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE COUNCIL [C/8/DC/2/FINAL]</b>
<b>RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PRESIDENT/ CHAIR</b>	<p><b>Rule 7</b></p> <p>(a) The President shall preside over the ordinary and extra-ordinary sessions of the Assembly.</p> <p>(b) In addition to exercising the functions conferred upon the President elsewhere by these Rules, the President shall declare the opening and closing of meetings, preside at meetings, ensure the observance of these Rules, accord the right to speak, put questions to the vote if necessary, and announce decisions. The President shall rule on points of order and, subject to these Rules, shall have control of the proceedings and over the maintenance of order at the session.</p> <p>(c) The President may propose to the Assembly a limitation on the time to be allowed to speakers and on the number of times each member may speak on a question, the adjournment or closure of the debate and the suspension or adjournment of a session.</p>	<p><b>Rule 9</b></p> <p>(a) The Chair shall preside over the sessions of the Council as provided for under this rule.</p> <p>(b) In addition to exercising the functions conferred upon the Chair elsewhere by these Rules, the Chair shall declare the opening and closing of meetings, preside at meetings, ensure the observance of these Rules, accord the right to speak, put questions to the vote if necessary, and announce decisions. The Chair shall rule on points of order and, subject to these Rules, shall have control of the proceedings and over the maintenance of order at the session.</p> <p>(c) The Chair may propose to the Council a limitation on the time to be allowed to speakers and on the number of times each member may speak on a question, the adjournment or closure of the debate and the suspension or adjournment of a session.</p>
<b>ACTING PRESIDENT/ CHAIR</b>	<p><b>Rule 8</b></p> <p>(a) The President, if absent from a session or any part thereof, or whenever he or she deems that for the proper fulfillment of the responsibilities of the President he or she should not preside</p>	<p><b>Rule 10</b></p> <p>(a) The Chair, if absent from a session or any part thereof, or whenever he or she deems that for the proper fulfillment of the responsibilities of the Chair he or she should not preside over the Council during the consideration of a particular question,</p>

over the Assembly during the consideration of a particular question, shall designate one of the Vice- Presidents at his or her discretion to act as President with the same powers and duties.  
 (b) If both Vice-Presidents in addition to the President are unable to serve in their respective capacities, the Assembly shall elect a member from among its members present to serve as President for that session.  
 (c) If the President or a Vice-President ceases to be able to carry out his or her functions, or ceases to be a member, a new President or Vice-President shall be elected for the remainder of the term.

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 (b) If both Vice-Chairs in addition to the Chair are unable to serve in their respective capacities, the Council shall elect a member from among its members present to serve as Chair for that session.  
 (c) If the Chair or a Vice-Chair ceases to be able to carry out his or her functions, or ceases to be a member, a new Chair or Vice- Chair shall be elected for the remainder of the term.

**ELECTION OF THE PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENTS / CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIRS**

**Rule 9**

(a) The Assembly shall elect a President and two Vice-Presidents with terms of two (2) years in accordance with Article 7(9) of the Agreement.  
 (b) The President and Vice-President may be elected from among members as well as non-state actor and expert members of the Council.  
 (c) One (1) Vice-President shall be elected from among the Contributing Members and one (1) Vice-President shall be elected from among the Participating Members.  
 (d) The President and Vice-Presidents shall remain in office until their successors are elected.

**Rule 11**

(a) The Council shall elect a Chair and two Vice-Chairs with terms of two (2) years in accordance with Article 8(9) of the Agreement.  
 (b) The Chair and the Vice-Chairs shall be elected by the members of the Council, with due regard to the balanced representation among the Contributing Members, Participating Members, and Experts and Non-State Actors.  
 (c) The Chair and Vice-Chair shall remain in office until their successors are elected.

**VACANCIES OF THE PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENTS / CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIRS**

**Rule 10**

(a) Any vacancy in the position of the President or the Vice-Presidents shall be filled in the same manner in which the original holder of that position was appointed.  
 (b) Any individuals appointed to fill such a position shall serve for the unexpired term of his or her predecessor.

**Rule 12**

(a) Any vacancy in the position of the Chair, one or both of Vice-Chairs shall be filled in the same manner in which the original holder of that position was appointed.  
 (b) Any individuals appointed to fill such a position shall serve for the unexpired term of his or her predecessor.

**REMOVAL OF THE PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENTS / CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIRS**

**Rule 11**

(a) If the President or Vice-Presidents are unable to attend two or more consecutive Sessions of the Assembly, the Assembly shall elect (a) new President or Vice- President for the remainder of the term of the predecessor.  
 (b) Election pursuant to this Rule shall count as one (1) term.

**Rule 13**

(a) If the Chair or Vice-Chairs are unable to attend two or more consecutive Sessions of the Assembly, the Assembly shall elect a new Chair or Vice-Chair for the remainder of the term of the predecessor.  
 (b) Election pursuant to this Rule shall count as one (1) term.

Annex 6: Bureau of the Assembly and the Council, 2012-2021

1) Bureau of the Assembly

	Oct 2012 - Dec 2014	Jan 2015 - Dec 2016	Jan 2017 - Dec 2018	Jan 2019 - Present
<b>President</b>	Bharrat Jagdeo, Former President of the Cooperative Republic of Guyana	Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono, Former President of the Republic of Indonesia	Vacant (Ethiopia elected Acting President on July 13, 2017)	Ban Ki-moon, 8 <sup>th</sup> Secretary-General of the United Nations
<b>Vice President (Contributing)</b>	United Kingdom	Not elected	Korea	Korea
<b>Vice President (Participating)</b>	Philippines	Not elected	Ethiopia	Senegal

2) Bureau of the Council

	Oct 2012 - Dec 2014	Jan 2015 - Dec 2016	Jan 2017 - Dec 2018	Jan 2019 - Present
<b>Chair</b>	Bharrat Jagdeo, Former President of the Cooperative Republic of Guyana	Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono, Former President of the Republic of Indonesia	Vacant (Ethiopia elected Acting Chair on July 13, 2017)	Ban Ki-moon, 8 <sup>th</sup> Secretary-General of the United Nations
<b>Vice Chair (Contributing)</b>	Australia	Not elected	Korea	Korea
<b>Vice Chair (Participating)</b>	Indonesia	Not elected	Ethiopia	Senegal

## **Ambassador SHIN Boonam**



Ambassador Shin has been teaching at Handong Global University in Pohang as an invitee professor since August 2018. He is Director to Korean Council on Foreign Relations and an advisor to the President of the World Taekwondo Federation. As a voluntary contribution, he mentors on a regular basis vulnerable college students for their academic and career pursuits arranged by Korea Student Aid Foundation. He also advised the World Citizens Organization, an international NGO based in Seoul. Before retiring from Government of the Republic of Korea in June 2018, he was Ambassador of the Republic of Korea to the Republic of Bulgaria and to the State of Kuwait between March 2014 and May 2018. Ambassador Shin was appointed as Ambassador of Climate Change from March 2013, responsible for leading international negotiation on climate change for the Republic of Korea.

Since October 2011 he was Ambassador for Green Growth and negotiated the Agreement on the Establishment of the Global Green Growth Institute (GGGI), the inter-governmental treaty to convert the GGGI into an international organization. The treaty was successfully adopted in May 2012 and later signed by 16 countries in June of the same year on occasion of the Rio+20 United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development held in Rio de Janeiro. Thereafter, in October 2012, Ambassador Shin coordinated the successful hosting of the Inaugural Meetings of the Assembly and the Council of the GGGI held in Seoul and attended by the 18 founding members of the GGGI including Australia, Costa Rica, Denmark, Ethiopia, Indonesia, Kiribati, Mexico, Norway, United Kingdom and Vietnam.

Between 2008 and 2011, he was posted as Ambassador and Deputy Permanent Representative of the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea to the United Nations in New York .

Ambassador Shin gained his expertise in environment and sustainable development as Vice Chair of the Environmental Policy Committee of the OECD (2007), Director-General for International Cooperation in the Ministry of Environment (2006), Senior Coordinator for Environment and Science at the International Economic Affairs Bureau of the Korean Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (2005), and Vice Chair of the 13th Session of the Commission of Sustainable Development of the Economic and Social Council at the United Nations (2004-05).

Prior to 2004, he served as Counselor in charge of the 2nd Committee of the General Assembly of the United Nations at the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea in New York (2002), Director at the Economic Cooperation Division of the International Economic Affairs Bureau at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (2000), Counselor at the Korean Embassy to Germany (1998), First Secretary at the Korean Embassy to the Philippines (1995), and Second Secretary of the Korean Permanent Mission to the European Office to the United Nations and Delegation to International Organizations in Geneva, Switzerland (1989).

Ambassador Shin joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 1982 and received a bachelor's degree in German Literature from Seoul National University and a master's degree in International Relations from Boston University. He is married with two daughters.

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