

Ana Martinho



A Graduate in Law from the University of Lisbon, Ambassador Ana Martinho joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 1975, and in 1979, the United Nations Permanent Mission in New York. In 1986, she held the position of Diplomatic Adviser to the Prime Minister of Portugal and in 1991, Chief of Staff to the Minister of Finance.

In 1994, she returned to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, first as Director of Services for International Political Organizations, then as Deputy Director-General for Communitarian Affairs, Director of the Department of General Administration and Director-General for Multilateral Affairs.

In 2001, she began her duties as Ambassador, where she was posted at the OECD, Prague (Czech Republic), Brussels as Principal Advisor to the President of the European Commission, the OSCE and Vienna (Austria).

In 2013, she returned to Portugal as Secretary-General of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and as President of the National Commission for UNESCO. From 2017 until 2021, she held the position of Advisor for International Relations to the President of the Portuguese Republic.

She is at present, and since 2022, Associated Researcher of the Research Centre of the Institute for Political Studies at the Universidade Católica Portuguesa. She is also working in the organization of the World Youth Day – Lisboa 2023 (International Relations).