

**Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to New Zealand**

**H.E. ITO Koichi**

**CURRICULUM VITAE (CV)**



**Name** Mr. ITO Koichi

**Education**

1984 LL.B., University of Tokyo  
1985 – 1987 Chinese language training, Nanjing University  
1988 AM (Regional Studies – East Asia),  
Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Harvard University

**Professional Career**

1984 Joined Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA)  
1992 - 1994 Assistant Director, Defense Policy Division, Defense Agency (now  
Ministry of Defense)  
1994 - 1996 Assistant then Deputy Director, China and Mongolia Division,  
MOFA  
1996 - 1999 First Secretary (WTO), Permanent Mission of Japan in Genève  
1999 - 2001 First Secretary then Counsellor (Political),  
Embassy of Japan in China  
2001 - 2003 Director, Biological and Chemical Weapons Conventions Division,  
MOFA  
2003 - 2005 Director, Global Environment Division, MOFA  
2008 - 2010 Director, Regional Policy Division, Asia and Oceania Affairs Bureau,  
MOFA  
2010 - 2012 Minister and Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of Japan in  
Malaysia  
2012 - 2015 Consul-General, Consulate-General of Japan in Guangzhou  
2015 - 2017 Minister and Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of Japan in China  
2017.10 - 2020.8 Consul-General, Consulate-General of Japan in Honolulu  
2020.12 - Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to New Zealand

**Award**

2020.9 Outstanding Public Service Award, awarded by the Chairman of the  
Joint Chiefs of Staff, U.S.A.

**Family** Married with two children

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