

Jepppe Tranholm-Mikkelsen appointed Secretary-General of the Council for second term



Jepppe Tranholm-Mikkelsen, Secretary-General of the Council

The Council today appointed Mr Jepppe Tranholm-Mikkelsen for a second term as the Secretary-General of the Council. The appointment decision was taken by the Council by a written procedure which was launched by Coreper on 29 April. This decision was adopted following consultations and the video conference of the European Council members on 23 April 2020.

The new five-year term of Mr Tranholm-Mikkelsen will run from 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2025.

Mr Tranholm-Mikkelsen has been the Council's Secretary-General since 1 July 2015. Before taking up his office, he was the Danish Permanent Representative to the European Union from 2010 to 2015.

Role of the Secretary-General

The Treaties provide that the General Secretariat of the Council assists both the European Council and the Council and that it is placed under the responsibility of a Secretary-General appointed by the Council.

CV of Jepppe Tranholm-Mikkelsen

Born: 30 October 1962

Nationality: Danish

Civil status: married to Birgitte Karnøe Frederiksen, two children

Career

Since 2015

Secretary-General of the Council of the European Union

2010

Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Denmark to the EU

2007

Danish Ambassador to China, also accredited to Mongolia and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

2003

Ambassador, Deputy Permanent Representative of Denmark to the EU

2001

Chief Adviser (EU Policy), Danish Prime Minister's Office

2001

Head of Department (General EU Policy), Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs

1998

Senior Adviser (EU Policy), Danish Prime Minister's Office

1995

Secretary of Embassy, Permanent Representation of Denmark to the EU

1992

Head of Section, Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Education

1992

Cand. Scient. Pol., University of Aarhus

1990

MSc (International Relations), London School of Economics

Languages

English, German, French. Some Spanish, Dutch and Chinese.