

**Biography of H.E. Ms Clare Walsh, Ambassador and
Permanent Representative of Australia to the United Nations
and to the Conference on Disarmament in Geneva**



Ms Clare Walsh commenced her post as Australia's Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the United Nations and Conference on Disarmament in Geneva in July 2025.

Ms Walsh is a senior officer with Australia's Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade and was most recently Deputy Secretary, Chief Operating Officer.

Prior to this role, Ms Walsh was Deputy Secretary at Australia's Department of Finance leading the Business Enabling Services Group.

From 2018 to 2020, Ms Walsh was the Deputy Secretary for the Global Cooperation, Development and Partnerships Group with Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

From 2016 to 2018, Ms Walsh was the Deputy Head of Mission at the Australian Embassy in Japan.

Ms Walsh has a wide range of international and domestic policy experience, including leading the development agenda throughout Australia's 2014 G20 Presidency and Australia's international efforts to design the post-2015 development agenda and the related global discussions on development finance. She has managed Australia's relationships with multilateral organisations, including the Multilateral Development Banks and global health, education, and environment funds.

Ms Walsh has formerly held senior positions in the Department of Climate Change and the Department of Environment.

Ms Walsh has a Bachelor of Arts, a Graduate Diploma in Environmental Studies, and a Master of Management.