

## **THORDUR BJARNI GUDJONSSON**

Thordur Bjarni Gudjonsson is Iceland's Consul General in Nuuk, Greenland, as of August 1, 2024. He previously served as the Director for Environmental Affairs at the Ministry for Foreign Affairs in Reykjavík and as the Permanent Representative of Iceland to the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) in Nairobi, Kenya, with residence in Reykjavík. He has been a member of Iceland's delegation in the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee to develop an international legally binding instrument on plastic pollution, including in the marine environment. Additionally, he has been the focal point for various United Nations agreements, such as the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES), and has contributed to creating policies and planning on issues related to environmental and climate concerns at the international level.

### **Foreign Service Career:**

- **1987:** First Secretary, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Reykjavík.
- **1987-1991:** First Secretary, Icelandic Embassy and the Icelandic Mission to the European Union, Brussels.
- **1991-1995:** Counsellor, External Trade Department, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Reykjavík.
- **1995-2000:** Minister-Counsellor and Deputy Chief of Mission, Icelandic Embassy, London.
- **2000-2004:** Deputy Permanent Representative, Delegation of Iceland to the North Atlantic Council (NATO), Brussels.
- **2004-2006:** Deputy Director, Security and Disarmament, Political Department, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Reykjavík.
- **2007-2010:** Director, Department of International Development, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Iceland.
- **2010-2012:** Director, Security and Defence Department, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Iceland.
- **2012-2016:** Consul General of Iceland in the Faroe Islands.
- **2016-2019:** Consul General of Iceland in Winnipeg, Canada.
- **2020-2022:** Director for Nordic Cooperation, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Iceland.
- **2022-2024:** Director for Environment Affairs and Permanent Representative of Iceland to the UN Environment Programme, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Iceland.
- **2024-** : Consul General of Iceland in Nuuk, Greenland, as of 1 August.

### **Education:**

- **1983:** Graduated from the University of Iceland with a BS Honours Degree (Cand. oecon.) in Economics and Business Administration.
- **1986:** Graduated with an MSc in Economics and Business Administration (Cand. merc.) from Copenhagen Business School.

### **Personal Information:**

- Married to Jórunn Kristinsdóttir. They have one son.