

## CURRICULUM VITAE



### PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name **Sven SAKKOV**  
Place and Date of Birth September 14<sup>th</sup>, 1971 in Tartu, Estonia  
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### WORK EXPERIENCE

2020- Ambassador of Estonia to Finland

2017-2020 Director  
International Centre for Defence and Security

2015-2017 Director  
NATO Cooperative Cyber Defence Centre of Excellence

2008-2015 Undersecretary for Policy (Policy Director)  
Ministry of Defence

2006-2008 Defence Counsellor  
Estonian Embassy in Washington

2004-2006 Director  
Policy Planning Department  
Ministry of Defence

2001-2004 Deputy Director  
Defence Policy and Planning Department  
Ministry of Defence

1998-2001                    Defence Counsellor  
Estonian Mission to NATO

1997-1998                    Senior Expert  
International Cooperation Department  
Ministry of Defence

1995-1996                    National Security and Defence Advisor  
Office of the President

## **EDUCATION**

2011-2012                    Royal College of Defence Studies, London, UK

1996-1997                    University of Cambridge  
M.Phil. in International Relations

1989-1995                    University of Tartu  
B.A. Cum Laude in History

1993-1994                    St.Lawrence University, NY, USA

## **LANGUAGES**

Estonian, English, Russian

## **CIVIL STATUS**

Married, two children

## **DECORATIONS**

Order of the White Star IV class  
Ministry of Foreign Affairs Cross of Service  
Defence Forces Cross of Merit  
Ministry of Defence Cross of Merit Second class  
Gold Medal of the Polish Army  
Medal of Honorary Recognition of the Latvian Minister of Defence.