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The Melodi of the Italy-India Special Strategic Partnership

SPEAKER

Ms. Aurora Russi

Deputy Ambassador of Italy to India

Born in Rome on September 1, 1981, Ms Aurora Russi graduated in Economics of Public Administrations and International Institutions from Bocconi University in Milan on October 9, 2004. She joined the diplomatic service on December 18, 2007. From December 2007 to September 2008, she worked as visits officer at the Diplomatic Protocol of the Republic, organizing visits abroad of the Italian head of State and incoming visit of foreign Heads of State, Heads of Government and Ministers. On November 15, 2010, she was posted to the Embassy of Italy in Madrid as Head of the Consular section. She also was responsible for security and protocol, and the Latin American dossier. On May 5, 2014, she was appointed Consul in Belo Horizonte, Brazil, where she organised, amongst other things, the first visit ever of an Italian Minister of Foreign Affairs to the city, in spite of over 100 years since the creation of the Consulate. She returned to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Rome on June 28, 2018, serving at the Directorate General for Resources and Innovation (Office II) as Head of mobility for the over 3000 non-diplomatic staff of the *Farnesina*. On September 1, 2021, she was assigned to the Embassy in London as Counsellor, Head of Press and Cultural Affairs. As of March 10, 2025, she serves as Minister Counsellor/DCM at the Embassy of Italy in New Delhi.

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11:00 PM – 12:00 PM

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