

## Bilahari Kausikan

Ambassador-at-Large and Policy Advisor in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Singapore



Mr Bilahari Kausikan retired in June 2013 and is currently Ambassador-at-Large and Policy Advisor in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. From 2001 to May 2013, Mr Kausikan was first the second Permanent Secretary and then Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. He had previously served in a variety of appointments including as Director for Southeast Asia, Director for East Asia and the Pacific and as Deputy Secretary for Southeast Asia. Mr Kausikan has also served as the Permanent Representative to the United Nations in New York and as Ambassador to the Russian Federation.

Mr Kausikan has been awarded the Public Administration Medal (Gold) and the Pingat Jasa Gemilang (Meritorious Service Medal) by the government of Singapore. He has also been awarded the "Order of Bernardo O'Higgins" with the rank of "Gran Cruz" by the President of the Republic of Chile and the Oman Civil Merit Order by the Sultan of Oman.

Raffles Institution, the University of Singapore and Columbia University in New York all attempted to educate Mr Kausikan.