

Profile(Honorable Guest)

Hugo Yon, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Transportation, Affairs, U.S. Department of State

Hugo Yon is the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Transportation Affairs. He is a career member of the Senior Foreign Service and entered the Department of State in 1999. Previously, he was the Director for International Economics on the National Security Council (NSC) staff at the White House responsible for engagement with the Group of 7, Group of 20, global economic platforms, and the Asia economy from July 2016 to July 2017. He also served as NSC Director for India and the Subcontinent from March 2015 to June 2016. His most recent overseas tour of duty was as Deputy Minister Counselor for Economic Affairs at the U.S. Embassy in New Delhi, India. He has also served multiple overseas tours of duty in Jakarta and Beijing, as well as our Consulate in Guangzhou and the



American Institute in Taiwan, notably as Transportation Officer. In Washington, he also served from 2008-2009 as Special Assistant to the Under Secretary for Economic Affairs covering East Asia economics, International Finance and Development, and Communications and Information Policy. Mr. Yon won the Frank Loy Award for Excellence in International Environment Performance while serving in Jakarta in 2011 and was the runner up for the Salzman Award for Excellence in International Economic Performance in 2013 while serving as Acting Minister Counselor for Economics, Environment, and Scientific Affairs. Mr. Yon has an MPA in Economics and Public Policy from the Woodrow Wilson School at Princeton University and a B.A. in Political Economy from the University of California at Berkeley. He speaks Mandarin Chinese, Cantonese, and Indonesian.