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Timo Koster is a career diplomat from the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs, currently Director of the Defense Policy and Capabilities at the NATO Headquarters, since 2012.

After finishing his law degree at the University of Amsterdam, Mr. Koster joined the diplomatic academy of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands in 1991. His first appointment was as the third Secretary at the Royal Netherlands Embassy in Nairobi, Kenya. Back in The Hague in 1994, he served in several positions within the Ministry, including a stint as Private Secretary to the Minister for European Affairs, before moving to the Netherlands Embassy in London, as Head of Economic Department between 1998 and 2001.

In 2001, Mr. Koster became Acting Director for European Integration at the Ministry of Economic Affairs, after which he served as a Project Director at the Ministry for Foreign Affairs. In 2003 Mr. Koster was appointed Deputy Ambassador at the Royal Netherlands Embassy in Athens, Greece. In 2008 he moved to Brussels where he served as Defense Advisor at the Netherlands Permanent Representation to NATO until 2012 when he assumed his current position. Mr. Koster is married to Sheraida McWilliam. They have two sons and two daughters.