

Gilles Gauthier

Gilles Gauthier joined the Canadian Embassy in Washington in April 2013 as Minister for Economic Affairs. Prior to his appointment, Mr. Gauthier held several positions related to international trade policy, including Chief Agriculture Negotiator at the Department of Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada (AAFC), Director General, Multilateral Trade Policy at the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade, and Chief, Trade in Services, at the Department of Finance. Mr. Gauthier also served four years at the Canadian Mission to the WTO in Geneva. During his career in trade policy, he led negotiations on agriculture in the Canada-EU FTA and at the WTO, led investment treaty negotiations with China and India, and was a member of the Government of Canada negotiating team for the NAFTA and the GATT Uruguay Round. He also was appointed on 5 dispute settlement panels at the WTO.

Mr. Gauthier holds a degree in economics from the University of Ottawa, a master's degree in economics from the Université de Sherbrooke and a diploma in international economic relations from the Université de Paris-IX Dauphine.