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Kristóf Altusz studied international relations at Corvinus University of Budapest along with English and German language and literature at Péter Pázmány Catholic University, he holds an M.A in all three disciplines. He is married, and has two children.

He began his carrier at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 2002. A year later he was employed by the Office of the Hungarian National Assembly, as foreign policy advisor. Parallel to this mandate, between 2003-2004, he was also the coordinator of the Hungarian delegation to the European Parliament. From 2006 he worked for the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Hungarian Parliament. In 2010 he was transfered back to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and was posted to Berlin, as counsellor in charge of the political section. Returning from Germany in 2014 he took the position of Director General for European Bilateral Relations at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade. Later that year he was appointed as Deputy State Secretary for European and American Affairs. He was deputy head of delegation during Hungary's 2015 IHRA (International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance) Presidency and since that he represents the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade on the regular roundtable discussions between the Hungarian Jewish organizations and the Government. Kristóf Altusz acted as Co-President of the Hungarian-Romanian Joint Committee on Minority Affairs in 2015.

On the peak of migration crises (September 2015) the Deputy State Secretary was chief negotiator between the Hungarian Government and Austria. In April 2017 he was appointed as Special Envoy to the Prime Minister for International Negotiations.

He is recipient of the Medal of Honor for cultivating and preserving the spirit of the Hungarian Uprising in 1956 and he is a member of various advisory boards.

He speaks fluent English and German.