Biography

Chris Kaye



Chris Kaye is the Director of the Government Partnerships Division for WFP based in Rome. He took up this position in June 2016, after having served as the Director of Performance Management and Monitoring for six years.

Chris has worked with WFP since 2006. Prior to taking up his position at Headquarters, he served as Country Director for WFP in Myanmar between 2006 and 2010 during which time he led and managed WFP's response to Cyclone Nargis and served intermittently as HC/RC.

Prior to joining WFP in 2006, Chris served with OCHA (UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs) for over 12 years. He joined OCHA in 1994 and supported humanitarian efforts in Rwanda in the aftermath of the genocide. During a period between 1995 and 1999 he worked in Geneva where he led the development of the Consolidated Appeal Process and supported humanitarian efforts on short-term missions in Sierra Leone, Somalia, Tajikistan, India, Pakistan and Sri Lanka. From 1999 – 2001 Chris served as Head of Programmes for the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Assistance to Afghanistan. From 2002-2006, he was Head of the Regional Office for Southern Africa. In this capacity he was responsible for leading and supporting the coordination of inter-agency humanitarian responses to natural disasters and notably in response to the food and HIV crisis in Southern Africa.

Chris began his UN career with the UNDP in 1992 in Kenya.

He joined the UN from the NGO sector following five years (1985-1990) working in investment banking in London. Chris is a British national and holds a BA (Hons) in Business Administration and a Masters (MSC) in International Relations from Bristol University in the UK.