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Jun Shirato – Deputy Representative of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in the Republic of Poland. She assumed the position of Deputy Representative of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) in the Republic of Poland in April 2024.

In the last decade, she served as Assistant Representative in the Hellenic Republic, Senior Emergency Coordinator at UNHCR Headquarters in Geneva, leading various UNHCR's emergency responses, including an internally displaced crisis in Ethiopia, an internally displacement situation in northern Mozambique as well as a refugee influx from Sudan to Chad. She also served as Senior Legal Advisor of the Regional Bureau for Europe, covering non-EU member states in Geneva and also served as Senior Field Coordinator in the Syrian Arab Republic.

Earlier field assignments with UNHCR include serving in a divided city of Mitrovica in northern Kosovo; facilitating voluntary repatriation of Turkish refugees of Kurdish origin from northern Iraq; border monitoring in western Ukraine; managing a field office in western Darfur, and emergency response to the conflict in South Ossetia and IDP response in Chechnya in the Russian Federation.

Ms Shirato holds a LL.M on public international law from Leiden University, the Netherlands and a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science from Waseda University in Japan.