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Born in Ancona, Italy, in 1962, Fabrizio Petri is an Italian diplomat and writer. He graduated in Law at the University of Bologna. After the military service, in 1989 he started his career in the Italian Diplomatic Service.

He has served in the Italian Embassies in New Delhi and Paris and in several Departments in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, among others as Head of the Office for Central European Countries and in the Secretary General’s Office. Ministry Plenipotentiary since 2011, since 2016 Petri is the President of the Inter-Ministerial Committee for Human Rights. From November 2021, he has also been appointed Special Envoy of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International cooperation for the Human Rights of LGBTIQ+ Persons.

Petri is a writer on nonviolence and intercultural dialogue; he published two essays, “Karma Aperto” (Open Karma) in 2012 and “Dharma Aperto” (Open Dharma) in 2014. In May 2019, he released his first novel on nonviolence, “Prometeo Beat”. He is also a LGBTIQ+ activist, in 2013 he was the co-founder, and for four years the President, of Globe-MAE the Association of LGBTI employees of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation.