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Rebecca Fatima Sta. Maria, Ph.D., is the Secretary-General of the Malaysian Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI).

Rebecca has a doctorate in Human Resource Development from the University of Georgia, Athens, United States, a Masters degree in Counselling from Universiti Putra Malaysia, and a Bachelors degree in English Literature from the University of Malaya.

Prior to her current appointment, she was the Deputy Secretary-General (Trade) and before that, was Senior Director in the Investment Policy and Manufacturing Services Division of MITI. In this capacity, she was involved in negotiating Malaysia's Investment Agreements under Malaysia's bilateral and regional FTAs.

She also served as the Director of Strategic Planning at MITI, a post she held from 1 Sept 2002 through 15 July 2005. Prior to her appointment to MITI she served as the Senior Project Coordinator at the Leadership Centre, National Institute of Public Administration (INTAN).

Rebecca began her career in the Administrative and Diplomatic Service in 1981 and served in various capacities in the then Ministry of Trade and Industry. In 1988 she was seconded to the ASEAN Plant Quarantine and Training Centre as its Chief Administration and Procurement Officer.

She is married and has a daughter, Raisa Menon.

