

Ms. Mercedes Vázquez Gonzalez was appointed as the Representative of Cuba on the ICAO Council in October 2025.

Ms. Vázquez Gonzalez is a legal and aviation professional with nearly forty years of experience. She holds a Bachelor's Degree in Law from the University of Havana and has completed specialized training in civil aviation management, airport legislation, aeronautical law, aviation insurance, and international trade law through institutions such as the Polytechnic University of Madrid, ICAO, and JICA in Japan.

She began her professional journey as a Law Professor from 1986 to 1995, before transitioning into legal advisory positions within the aviation sector. Her roles include Legal Advisor and Senior Specialist in the Legal Department of the Cuban Aviation Corporation (CACSA), Head of the Legal Advisory Department at the Cuban Civil Aeronautics Institute (IACC), and Director of Air Transport and International Relations at IACC (from 2017 to 2022). She served as Cuba's Representative to ICAO from 2022 to 2025.

Ms. Vázquez Gonzalez is also an Assistant Professor and certified Trainair Instructor, organizing and teaching numerous courses in aeronautical law and air transport regulation. She has participated in national and international aviation organizations, including the Cuban Aeronautical Council, the ICAO Air Transport Regulation Panel, and inter-ministerial committees on transportation, tourism, public health, and foreign affairs.

Her career includes work in legal expertise, international collaboration, and education in Cuba's aviation sector.