

Luis FONSECA DE ALMEIDA
Regional Director, Europe and North Atlantic Office – International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)

Luis Fonseca de Almeida took office as Regional Director of ICAO's European and North Atlantic Office on January 4th, 2011.

Mr. Fonseca de Almeida's life-long career in civil aviation began with the Portuguese Civil Aviation (DGCA) in December 1973. He was President of ECAC from September 2007 to December 2010 and Chairman of INAC (Portuguese Civil Aviation Authority) since July 2004 until 3rd of January 2011. He was Vice President of EUROCONTROL Provisional Council from 2005 to 2007.

As Chairman of INAC, he was also responsible for the Civil Aviation National Security Authority, the Air Transport Emergency Planning Commission and he was seated on the Board of Public Works and Transport.

Prior to this, he was a consultant for INAC (2001–2004) and Member of the Board of INAC (1998–2001) after having held a number of posts in the Portuguese Civil Aviation Authority (e.g. Air Transport Director).

He holds a graduate degree in Economics and a post-graduate degree in European Studies from the Superior Institute of Economics and Management, Technical University of Lisbon, and studied air transport planning and airport transport operations in the Aeronautical College, Cranfield Institute of Technology of UK.