

## The Governing Board of the International Partners for Aviation Development, Innovation and Sustainability (iPADIS)



**Olumuyiwa Benard Aliu** is the founder and President of iPADIS. He was the fifth President of ICAO Council from 2014 to 2019 and ICAO's Lifetime Goodwill Ambassador. He established the ICAO *No Country Left Behind* initiative and helped forge global consensus on the CORSIA MBM and led ICAO's prioritization on technological innovation. The ICAO Museum is named after him among many global awards and honours.

He previously served as Nigerian Representative to ICAO, Director Air transport Regulation, Technical Adviser to Minister of Aviation and Chief Airworthiness Surveyor. He also contributed immensely to the development of African aviation, in various capacities over a 35-year career.



**Roberto Kobeh González** began his civil aviation career in 1966 within the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) of Mexico. In 1978, he was appointed General Director of air navigation services, a position he held until 1998, when he was appointed Representative of Mexico on the Council of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO). In 2006, he was elected by the ICAO Council as its President and re-elected in 2007 and 2010. In 2013, he returned to Mexico to lead the air navigation services once again until his retirement, in 2018.



**Raymond Benjamin** began his career with the French Civil Aviation Administration. Seconded to ICAO as the first-ever Chief, Aviation Security, he developed the Security Manual and established a network of regional training centers. Later, as Executive Secretary of the European Civil Aviation Commission, he championed common strategies among Eastern European states. Elected Secretary General of ICAO in 2009, he significantly enhanced the public image of ICAO worldwide and initiated an assistance programme for developing states to better implement ICAO standards. Since retiring in 2015, he advises CAA's in effectively supporting a more resilient, sustainable and socially responsible international civil aviation.



**Sherif Attia** is the Secretary General of the Arab Tourism Organization and former Civil Aviation Minister of Egypt. During his 30 years of executive management experience, at KLM-Royal Dutch Airlines as Regional Manager, the International Air Transport Association (IATA) as Regional Director, Air Arabia as COO and Air Cairo & Egypt Air as Chairman and CEO, he has achieved success through team building and working across cultures with a global mindset. He was nominated as head of the general assembly and board member of several organizations including IATA Board of governors, Executive committees of the Arab Air Carriers' Organization (AACO) & African

Airlines' Association (AFRAA).



**Natalia Aliu** is an accomplished entrepreneur, with interests in international trade, real estate, and travel and hospitality sectors. She has extensive experience in community organizing and has been involved in philanthropy for over 35 years. As President of the ICAO Diplomat Spouses' Club, she implemented a successful fund-raising program in support of charity organizations in Montreal and worked with the Canadian Government on the smooth integration of expatriate families locally. Also, as a member of the Nigerwives Association in Nigeria in the 1980s-

2000s, she actively promoted projects aimed at supporting women, orphanages, persons with disabilities and other less privileged.



**Denis Chagnon** was spokesperson for Air Canada and the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) over a 35-year period. A co-author of *Global Megatrends and Aviation: The Path to Future-Wise Organizations*, he participated in the *Memoirs of Dr Assad Kotaite*, President Emeritus of the ICAO Council. He is currently President of York & Cumberland Communications Inc., specializing in aviation and humanitarian issues. He is also a long-time supporter of K eroul – a Montreal-based non-profit organization committed to the promotion and development of accessible tourism for the disabled – and serves on the Boards of Canada's Aviation

Hall of Fame and St-Hubert Airport (YHU).