

CANDIDATOS PARA LA JUNTA DE DIRECTORES DE AROAS 2022-2024

A continuación encontrará la lista de nominados y sus respectivas biografías/
Below are the list of candidates and their biographies.

☐ **OSCAR CHAVERA:**

Native from Lima, Peru. Obtained a bachelor in Accounting, registered to the Institute of Internal Auditors, and participated in multiple CPE classes and certifications covering topics related to administration, accounting, finance, management, internal auditing and project management.

Prior to my arrival to the GS/OAS, I worked for Mynt and Buntua CPA firm, then as a government contractor for Housing and Urban Development in charge of internal audits backlogs and follow ups.

At the GS/OAS started in the Department of Budgetary Services in 1994, while working in Budget it merged with the Department of Financial Services, where I later served as a financial officer. Transferred to the Office of the Inspector General in 2008, where I started as an internal auditor, then appointed as Interim Inspector General from 2010 to 2012.



In 2013 was transferred to the Department of Information and Technology Services where I collaborated to the drafting of the DOITS Disaster Recovery Plan and the implementation of an Oracle Data Redundancy server located in the ADMIN building. In 2016 I was transferred to the Secretariat of Administration and Finance, where I later was essential to the GS/OAS budget preparation and publication, also as a liaison with Member States from CAAP until my retirement in April 2021, after 27 years of service to the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States.

During my years of service recommended performing an internal audit to AROAS, where there is a lot of room for improvement.

☐ **RUTH M. CONNOLLY: Boston, United States**

- ✚ Active in AROAS
- ✚ Served both as President (2015-2017) and on the AROAS Board of Directors. Serves also as Administrator of the AROAS Emergency and Assistance Fund
- ✚ Active in Washington, D.C. tenant affairs (2005-2012)
- ✚ Served as Chair of the Washington, D.C. Tenant Advisory Council (TAC). Duties included testifying on housing / tenant issues before the District of Columbia City Council. Served as Treasurer (1979 – present) of the Barclay Tenants' Association (BTA), providing background crucial for the Association's victorious \$4,000,000 lawsuit settlement following owners' violation of D.C. tenant law.
- ✚ Served 35 years in the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States

Developed and executed workshops in science and technology policy.



Directed conceptualization, design, development and execution of a Western Hemisphere-wide library information network for the collection, automation and exchange of information on illicit drugs.

Procured private sector funding and in-kind resources for OAS technical assistance programs and projects.

Administered the OAS language training program.

Administered OAS technical assistance projects for Latin America and the Caribbean

✚ Served 3 years 9 month in United States Foreign Service

✚ Served in Guatemala and Vietnam as an United States Information Agency foreign service career reserve officer

✚ Education

Degrees in Latin American History (M.A.) and English Literature (B.A.) Certificate in Mediation from George Mason University

✚ Avid sailor, reader, wine enthusiast and great aunt

☐ **RENE I. GUTIERREZ :**

EDUCACIÓN

Graduado de la Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C. (Bibliotecología), Feb. 1997; Certificado: "Information Resources Management", Oct. 1997; George Mason University, Virginia (B.A. History (1994).



EXPERIENCIA

Oficial de Información de la OEA, 2012-2021; Bibliotecario, 1990-2021; Asistente de biblioteca, 1985-1990; Consultor (CPR), 1981-1984; Otras funciones: Reportero, Asambleas Generales (1995-1998); Asesor de la Junta de Publicaciones. Coautor de 8 bibliografías sobre temas de las Américas.

Miembro del Comité del Personal de la Asociación, (2019-2021, Presidente); (2009-2011, Presidente); (2006-2007, Presidente); (2002-2004, Presidente); (2000-2001, Secretario), (1998-1999, Secretario), (1997-1998, Pro Secretario); Junta Directiva, "OAS Staff Federal Credit Union" (2005-2008 Director); Comité de Supervisión, "OAS Staff Federal Credit Union", (1997-1999, Presidente).

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:

Graduate from Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C. (Master of Science in Library Science), Feb. 1997; Certificate in: "Information Resources Management", Oct. 1997; George Mason University, Virginia (B.A. History), 1994.

EXPERIENCE:

OAS Information Officer 2012-2021; Librarian 1990-2021; Library Assistant 1985-1990; Consultant (CPR) 1981-1984; Other duties: Reporter, General Assemblies (1995-1998); Advisor of the Publications Board. Co-authored 8 bibliographies on subjects related to the Americas.

Member Staff Committee of the OAS Staff Association (2019-2021, President); (2009-2011, President); 2006-2007, President); (2002-2004, President); (2000-2001, Secretary); (1998-1999, Secretary), (1997-1998, Pro-Secretary); Board of Directors of the OAS Staff Federal Credit Union (2005-2008, Director); Supervisory Committee of the OAS Staff Federal Credit Union (1997-1999, President).

☐ **MILAGROS JIMENEZ:**

Milagros (Mili) Jimenez is a Venezuelan citizen as well as an American citizen. Milagros worked in different capacities within the Organization. Milagros retired in October 2018, after 22 years of service, she started as a Supporting Secretary to the Advisors of the Secretary General for 7 months, then moved to the Inter-Sectoral

Unit for Tourism where the principal activity was prepare the Database, the invitations, the posters and any other need for the Tourism Congress held in Costa Rica in 1997. Milagros was then hired in the Department of Management Systems as a Web Developer, and continued actively working in various projects of IT Development in the Department of Information and Technology Services until she retired. Milagro's last post was as Senior Software Quality Assurance Analyst.

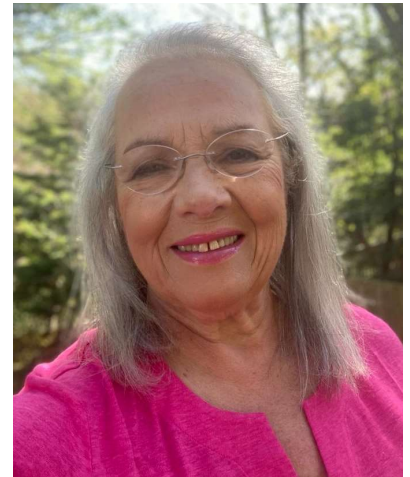
Milagros has also been a dynamic volunteer at the OAS Federal Credit Union assisting in different committees during several years. After her retirement, in 2019 Milagros started collaborating with AROAS as a Secretary of Events organizing luncheons and the Coffee-Chats.



Milagros holds an Analysis and Programmer Technical degree in Caracas, Venezuela. She is fluent in Spanish, English and Portuguese and basic in Italian and French. She loves traveling, cooking and practicing meditation regularly.

□ CYNTHIA MARIA CARDIM MILLER

Cynthia Maria Cardim **Miller** is a Brazilian citizen and US resident. Cynthia worked primarily in Information Systems, Statistics and Operations Research. Retired since December of 2015, Cynthia worked for 29 years at the Organization of American States starting as a Senior Programmer in the Department of Management Systems for the Foreign Trade Information System- SICE. In 1994, Cynthia was appointed SICE's Director. Later, as Senior Analyst at Department of IT Services, she managed OAS's systems analysts. From 2011 to 2014, as Senior Officer at the Department of Financial Services, she designed and implemented the Travel Expenses System.



Cynthia has been a volunteer at the OAS Federal Credit Union. From 2006 to 2007, she was a member of the Nominating Committee. From 2010 to 2016 she was appointed by the Board of Directors (BOD) as the Committee chair, and she invigorated the Associate Volunteers program, which allows for a wider member participation in the committees. From 2006 to 2015, she also contributed with the Community Relations Committee, defending the expansion of the OAS FCU with new SEG's. In 2016, Cynthia was designated by the BOD to serve in the Supervisory Committee and in 2016 she was elected by the members to serve in the Board of Directors from 2016-2019. Since 2019, she has been appointed by the BOD to serve in the Supervisory Committee.

Cynthia has also served in other capacities at the OAS: in 1993 she was elected to the OAS Staff Association; in 1988 she brokered the agreement between the OAS Staff Association and the IDRA; in the 1990s she organized the Children's Christmas Parties.

Cynthia has actively collaborated with the Homeowners Association of the Community she lives in. In 2017 and 2020 she was elected to the Board of Directors.

Cynthia holds a B.S. and Teaching Certificate in Mathematics, from PUC-RJ and M.S. in Systems Engineering, COPPE, Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro. She is fluent in English, Portuguese and Spanish; and, she is a yoga practitioner.

