



## **Short Biography:**

Oscar Garcia is the founding Partner, Chairman and CEO of InterFlight Global Corporation (IFG) which he started in 1992. InterFlight Consulting (IFC) is an IFG's wholly owned subsidiary firm formed in 2002. In addition, he is a Senior Consultant, Board Advisor and Project Manager in the areas of Strategy, Finance, Sales and Operations, with experience in setting up and expanding production, design and sales networks for aircraft, aerospace components and avionics in Europe and the Americas.

Oscar holds a Bachelor's Degree in Aviation Science and Technology from the Thomas Edison State College with an Aerospace Engineering specialization from San Diego State University, as well as a Masters Degree in Aviation and Aerospace Business Administration (MBA) from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University. He holds FAA/JAR Airline Transport Pilot and Flight Instructor licenses as well as Instrument and Multi-Engine certificates with a total flight time of over 8,500 hours in a variety of aircraft and flight simulators.

Oscar serves on the Space Florida Board Advisory Committee and the Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University Business School Industrial Advisory Board. He is the immediate past President and Chairman of the Aerospace Committee of the prestigious Greater Miami Aviation Association (GMAA). The GMAA is today the dorsal spine of the aviation and aerospace industries socio-economic affairs in Southern Florida. Through IFC, Oscar is also a shareholder and former Managing Partner of aircraft lessor Ocean Blue Management, LLC and former President of an FAA 135 airline named Seaplanes of Key West, Inc. Oscar is affiliated with and an active participant in ICAO, IATA and other aerospace trade organizations with global reach.

In his relentless pursuit of air safety and regulatory compliance, Oscar has been an FAA Air Safety Counselor at the Flight Standards District Office level in Los Angeles and Miami since 1997 and actively engages in research studies with the FAA, NTSB and NASA.

Oscar Garcia's seventeen years of aviation experience reflect his global operational and managerial experience with InterFlight Global Corporation, Cathay Pacific Airways and American Eagle Airlines. He has served as Captain and First Officer as well as instructor pilot in aircraft ranging from the Fairchild Metroliner and Saab 340 to the Boeing 747-400 and 777-200/300.

Oscar's non-flying airline duties at Cathay Pacific include experience as a Flight Data Analyst, Flight Planning Analyst and Pilot Recruitment Officer within the airline's corporate structure from 1997 through 2002. In addition he was Chairman of the American Eagle - ALPA Professional Standards Committee at the DFW base from 1995-1997.

Oscar is affiliated and an active member of the International Civil aviation Organization (ICAO), the International Air Transport Association (IATA), Latin American Aerospace Association (ALA) and others. He has acted as an expert witness on behalf of large aerospace corporations and he is a regular aerospace media commentator in Latin America.

Oscar is an occasional consultant to audio visual media worldwide and panelist, speaker and Chairman of multiple global aviation and aerospace events.

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**Summary:** Executive qualifications and proven experience within aviation organizations and governing boards requiring proven ability in the areas of Senior Level Consulting, Management, Research, Sales, Marketing and Aircraft Operations in multi cultural environments

### Experience:

- 16 years Business Management/Consulting Experience (1992-Present):
  - Strategic, operational, marketing and financial consulting and sales services
  - President and Managing Partner of an FAA 135 seaplane airline and leasing companies
  - Specialized in the US-Spain and US-Latin America Airline markets
  - 16 years as the Founding Partner/Chairman of InterFlight Global Corporation (1992-Present)
  - 13 Years Airline Pilot Experience (1991-2002)
  - 6 Years Cathay Pacific Airways (10/97-09/2002), First Officer/Relief Commander. Worldwide Passenger Scheduled Flight Operations
  - 7 Years American Airlines/ American Eagle (4/91-09/97), Captain, First Officer. United States Domestic Scheduled Operations
- 7 Years Airline Operations and Management Experience (1997-2002):
  - (1999-2002) Cathay Pacific Airways, Corporate Safety, Flight Data Analyst, B747-400, B777
  - (2000-2001) Cathay Pacific Airways, Airline Planning, Planning Analyst, International Route Projects
  - (1998-1999) Cathay Pacific Airways, Pilot Recruitment and Selection Project
  - (1996-1997) American Eagle/ALPA, Professional Standards, Chairman DFW Base

### Qualifications:

- MBA, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, 2002
- B.S. in Applied Science, specialization in Aviation Technology and Aerospace Engineering, Thomas Edison State College, 1995
- FAA Airline Transport Pilot License, rated on B747-400, B777 200/300 and SF340B aircraft and flight experience in a variety of simulators and general aviation aircraft
- Greater Miami Aviation Association (GMAA), Board Director (2004-Present)
- FAA Flight Safety Counselor (1997-Present), at Los Angeles (1997-2002) and Miami (2002-Present) Flight Standards District Offices

### Executive Skills:

- Fluent in Spanish, conversational French
- Multi-Cultural working skills; interpersonal, negotiation, communications, presentation and team management