



**Salvatore Sciacchitano**, the former Deputy Director General of Civil Aviation for Italy, became ECAC's Executive Secretary on 1 December 2010. Born in Catania (Italy) in 1954, he obtained a Master's Degree in Telecommunications Engineering in 1979 and a year later joined the Italian Airworthiness Authority (RAI), where he held several positions, including Head of the Regulation Division in 1992, and Head of the Technical Division in 1995.

In 1996 Salvatore was appointed Director General of RAI. Following the re-organisation of Civil Aviation in Italy, he was appointed Vice Director General of ENAC, the newly established Civil Aviation Authority. His mandate was reconfirmed three consecutive times. In that capacity he co-ordinated ENAC's core activities around safety, airports, airspace and economic regulation.

Salvatore's international responsibilities began when in 1992 he became first a member of the JAA (Joint Aviation Authorities) Regulation Committee, and subsequently of the JAA Committee, which he chaired for three years from 2001. In 2002 Salvatore also became the Italian representative on the Management Board of EASA, and in 2003 the Italian representative on the EUROCONTROL Provisional Council and the alternate member to the Minister on its Permanent Commission.

In 2006, Salvatore was a member of the Co-ordinating Committee of the Provisional Council of EUROCONTROL, of which he was elected Vice-President in 2007 and again in 2009.

Salvatore was awarded the Paul Tissandier Diploma in 2006 by the International Aeronautical Federation. He holds a private pilot's license, and is married with two sons.