

Martin Eley – Bio

Martin Eley was appointed to the position of Canada's Director General (DG), Civil Aviation on May 4, 2009.

Martin started his aviation career in 1972 as an undergraduate with the British Aerospace Civil Division at Weybridge, Surrey, England. He graduated in 1977 with a B.Sc (Hon) in Aeronautical Engineering from the Imperial College of the University of London. He then moved to work on the application of composite materials to Jaguar and Tornado Aircraft with the British Aerospace Military Division at Warton, Lancashire, England.

In 1982, Martin moved to Canada to join Transport Canada (TC) as a structures engineer in the Airworthiness Branch. As a Senior Engineering Program Manager from 1985 to 1994, he was responsible for the Type Certification of many Canadair/Bombardier aircraft and various foreign products. He re-joined the Structures Section in Aircraft Certification Branch as Superintendent from 1994 to 1999. He was appointed Chief of the Engineering Division in 1999 and Director, National Aircraft Certification Branch in 2001.

Martin is a Professional Engineer and an Associate Fellow of the Canadian Aeronautics and Space Institute (CASI).