

## CANDIDATE PROFILE



**NAME: Luiz Marcelo V. Azevedo**

**DEPARTAMENT/OFFICE:** Department of Legal Cooperation, Secretariat for Legal Affairs.

### **EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:**

Mr. Azevedo holds a Law degree from the Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Norte (UFRN), Brazil, and he is a member of the Brazilian Bar Association ("Ordem dos Advogados do Brasil" - OAB).

He also holds a LL.M. (with Distinction) in International Legal Studies from the Georgetown University Law Center.

### **EXPERIENCE:**

Mr. Azevedo's first experience at the OAS was as an intern in the Department of Legal Cooperation and Information from January to May 2001. After completing Law School in Brazil, Mr. Azevedo joined the OAS in October 2003 as a consultant and became a staff member in August 2004.

In his almost eight years as a legal officer with the Department of Legal Cooperation, Mr. Azevedo has worked on issues related to the fight against corruption in the Americas and has drafted reports on the implementation of the Inter-American Convention Against Corruption for several countries in the Hemisphere. Additionally, he has participated in the preparation and follow-up of legal cooperation projects in the framework of the Meeting of Ministers of Justice or Other Ministers or Attorneys General of the Americas (REMJA).

He had the honor to serve as Member of the Staff Association Committee during the 2008-2009 and 2010-2011 year. In his time with the Committee, he has worked on a number of issues of interest to the staff of the Organization, such as review and updating of the Statutes of the Staff Association and the Proposed Executive Order on the Institutional Recognition of Domestic Partnerships.

### **PERSONAL STATEMENT:**

*"My commitment is to continue protecting the rights and well-being of the OAS Staff and, from this perspective, continue working with the Administration on the issues of interest to the Staff, such as pending competitions and reclassifications, continuing contracts, the performance evaluation system, the ombudsperson, as well as fair treatment for the Staff Members of the Organization and opportunities for improving the workplace".*