CANDIDATE PROFILE

NAME: Luiz Marcelo Azevedo

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

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:

Luiz Marcelo holds a law degree from the Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Norte (UFRN), Brazil. He is a member of the Brazilian Bar Association (OAB) and a Certified Fraud Examiner (CFE).

He also holds a LL.M (with Distinction) in International Legal Studies from Georgetown University and he is currently pursuing a Master's Degree in Accounting at American University, with an emphasis in forensic accounting/fraud investigation.



EXPERIENCE:

Luiz Marcelo joined the OAS as a consultant in October 2003 and became a staff member in August 2004.

In his ten years as a Legal Officer with the Department of Legal Cooperation, he 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 a Member of the Staff Association Committee during the years 2008-2009, 2010-2011 and 2011-2012, having chaired the sub-committee responsible for the review and updating of the Statutes of the Staff Association in 2009.

Luiz is currently the principal member of the Joint Disciplinary Committee designated by the Staff Committee. Since 2013, he has also served as a volunteer associate in the Supervisory Committee at the OAS Federal Credit Union.

PERSONAL STATEMENT:

As Alternate Representative on the Committee for the Retirement and Pension Fund, I will fully support the work of the Principal Representative to ensure the welfare of the fund and to protect the interests of all participants, including the staff members of the General Secretariat of the OAS, the Inter-American Defense Board (IADB), the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA) and the Tropical Agricultural Research and Higher Education Center (CATIE).