

Nicolas (Nicos) Y. Lyrakides – Secretary General

Nicos Lyrakides is an aviation and European transport policy expert with more than 40 years of professional experience spanning air traffic management, aviation safety, European transport policy and international cooperation. A former Air Traffic Control Supervisor, he has held senior positions within the Ministry of Transport, Communications and Works of the Republic of Cyprus, the Permanent Representation of Cyprus to the European Union and EUROCONTROL.

He most recently served as **Transport & Communications Counsellor and Coordinator of the Cyprus Transport Team** during the **Cyprus Presidency of the Council of the European Union (2026)**, leading the coordination of transport dossiers and chairing numerous Council Working Parties.

Nicos is a former **Executive Vice-President (Europe) of IFATCA**, former **State Representative of Cyprus to EUROCONTROL**, and served for many years as **President of the Cyprus Air Traffic Controllers' Association (CYATCA)**. Throughout his career, he has represented Cyprus, Council of EU and the aviation community in numerous European and international organisations, conferences and high-level aviation fora.

He holds degrees in Mechanical Engineering, Airport Planning and Air Transport Management, an MBA in Public Sector Management, and is a licensed Air Traffic Controller and Private Pilot.