

**Dr. Olumuyiwa Benard Aliu**  
**Lifetime Goodwill Ambassador**  
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Dr. Olumuyiwa Benard Aliu is the Lifetime Goodwill Ambassador of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO). He was the fifth President of the ICAO Council, where he served two three-year terms from January 2014 to December 2019. He is the founder and President of the International Partners for Aviation Development, Innovation and Sustainability, or simply iPADIS, an international non-governmental organisation (NGO) of public and private partnership established in 2020.

Among many notable accomplishments, he has been recognized most widely for his diplomatic determination and leadership in forging global consensus on the CORSIA MBM at ICAO's 39th Assembly in 2016, and has helped to refocus ICAO on the assistance and capacity-building aspects of its mandate since taking office in 2014, under the No Country Left Behind initiative. He also led ICAO's prioritization on technological innovation and its critical importance to ensuring sustainable air transport progress in the years to come.

He has been bestowed with numerous honours and awards globally for his achievements and contributions to the development of international civil aviation. The ICAO Museum was named after him as 'Olumuyiwa Benard Aliu Museum' in 2020.

President Aliu previously served as the Representative of Nigeria to ICAO, during which time he was the First Vice-President of the Council and chaired many of the Council's major committees. Prior to that, he held various positions and responsibilities with Nigeria and African aviation institutions and has contributed significantly to air transport development in Africa during his 35-year career in aviation.