

RESUME HIGHLIGHTS

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DOCTOR IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

MASTER'S IN HISTORY

BSc. SOCIOLOGY

Luiz Octavio Coimbra has a doctoral degree in Public Administration (University of Baltimore) and an academic background in sociology and public administration. He has worked for over thirty years as a senior specialist in the Organization of American States and has also served in the Smithsonian Institution, the Oswaldo Cruz Foundation, and the Pontifical Catholic University in Brazil. He has a strong personal and professional interest in education, culture, and social issues, with experience in creating institutional partnerships to achieve the objectives of social development.

Dr. Coimbra has served the OAS as a senior specialist at the OAS Headquarters in Washington, D.C. During that period, he participated in projects such as demobilization of former guerrillas and the removal of explosive mines in Central America, the building of Observatories of Violence and the implementation of public safety policies in developing countries of the Western Hemisphere. He represented the OAS and promoted programs in partnership with the Inter-American Development Bank, and United Nations organisms such as UNDP, UNODC and ECLAC, on issues of communications, public safety, and technical cooperation.

In 2014, Dr. Coimbra was reassigned and served as OAS Conference Specialist. He attended, during that period, all regular sessions of the General Assembly of the OAS and was the lead organizer of the 48th Regular Session of the OAS General Assembly, the VIII Meeting of Ministers of Culture and Highest Appropriate Authorities in Bridgetown, Barbados; the XXIV Inter-American Congress of Ministers and High-level Authorities of Tourism in Georgetown, Guyana, and the VII Meeting of Ministers of Culture and Highest Appropriate Authorities in Asunción, Paraguay.

In 2020, Dr. Coimbra was approached by the Secretary General of the OAS and invited to occupy a senior position in its field network. Since then, Dr. Coimbra has serviced as Resident Representative for the OAS in Belize and has been committed to facilitate the execution of projects and activities funded by the Organization. These projects deal with issues of education, governance, institutional strengthening, and natural disaster mitigation.

In sum, Dr. Coimbra has been fortunate to have a wide range of experiences and the opportunity to work at the national, regional, and international level. His experiences have allowed him to acquire a deep appreciation of the challenges and prospects of developing States, particularly those in the Caribbean Region