

JAVIER OSVALDO TIZADO

Mr. Tizado holds a Degree in Industrial Engineering from the University of Buenos Aires (1964). He has also attended Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration for the "Program for Management Development" (PMD 34th), as well as several professional executive programs at Harvard University; the University of Buenos Aires and the Argentine Catholic University.

In August 2004, he faced a familiar venture by acquiring the firm TUBOS TRANS ELECTRIC S.A.

He is Vice President of STRAT Consulting, Member of the Honorary Commission of the Claudina Thévenet Foundation, Member of the Board of the Argentina Harvard Club and Honorary Member of the Latin American Iron & Steel Institute.

In August 2000, he joined the cabinet of Argentine Presidency as Secretary of State for Industry, Commerce and Investment. He was in charge up to March 2001.

Since 1990 till August 2000, Mr. Tizado served as the Techint Organization's Chief Executive Officer for Flat Products and Energy Areas, being in charge of the following companies: SIDERAR and TECPETROL (C.E.O., in both cases), LOSA (Chairman of the Board), SIDOR (Member of the Board), *Consorcio Siderurgia Amazonia* (Member of the Board), TIBSA Investment Company (Member of the Board). In addition he oversaw and was directly responsible for Techint Gas (*Transportadora de Gas del Norte, Litoral Gas and Transportadora de Gas del MERCOSUR*). He was also Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors of SIDERCA.

Mr. Tizado joined *Propulsora Siderúrgica* (Techint Organization) in 1970 as Sales Manager, becoming Commercial Director at a later date. In 1979 he was transferred to SIDERCA, where he first served as Commercial Director and, subsequently, as C.E.O.

Mr. Tizado was President of the Argentine Steel Manufacturers Association; President of the Latin American Iron & Steel Institute; President of the Argentine-Venezuelan Chamber of Commerce and President of MERCOFER, the Mercosur Steel Manufacturers Association.

Awards

- "Eng. Gerardo M. Lassalle" Prize; awarded in November 2006 by the Argentine Engineering National Academy in recognition for his merits and achievements in the engineering field.

- "Ordem de Rio Branco", as Comendador; a distinction granted by the Brazilian government in May 2004 for his dedication and personal devotion to the cause of the bilateral integration and the MERCOSUR.

- Annual Award for an outstanding Professional and Teaching Performance, granted by the Engineering Professional Council, in 2000.

- Merit Order Medal from the Military High School Academy, in 1999.

- Platinum Konex Award as the "Most Successful Industry Executive of the Decade 1988-1997", in 1998.

Mr. Tizado has participated as speaker in numerous Seminars and Conferences.

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