

Gonzalez Marco (updated January 2021)
Consultant (Retired from Ozone Secretariat)
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Marco Gonzalez was Executive Secretary of the Ozone Secretariat from 2002 until 2013. Previously, Mr. Gonzalez held senior positions in the Government of Costa Rica, the Institute of Electricity and Telecommunications, the Oil Refinery Institute, the National Center of High Technology, the Ministry of Environment, and the Costa Rica National Congress. He was also Lecturer in the School of Engineering at the University of Costa Rica. Mr. Gonzalez has been actively involved in stratospheric issues since the early 1990s when, as a member of the National Congress of Costa Rica, he spearheaded the legislative ratification of the Ozone Treaties. In 1996, he chaired the organizing committee of the Fourth Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Vienna Convention and the Eighth Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol. Marco also served as Vice Chairman and Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Multilateral Fund for the Implementation of the Montreal Protocol in 1997 and 1998, respectively. Mr. Gonzalez holds a Bachelor Degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of Costa Rica and a Masters Degree in Power System Analysis from the Imperial College of Science and Technology, University of London, England, UK.

Upon retirement in 2013 from the position of Executive Secretary of the Ozone Secretariat, Mr. Gonzalez has been a consultant specializing in stratospheric ozone and climate protection.

He is currently Senior Member of TEAP.

I, Marco Gonzalez, nominated by Costa Rica, residing in Costa Rica, a Senior Expert Member declare:

1) That I have read the Conflict of Interest and Disclosure Guidelines for the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel, its Technical Options Committees as adopted by the Meeting of the Parties in Decision XXIV/8 and that I abide by standards prescribed in the guidelines.

2) That I currently provide paid and unpaid consulting services to United Nations organizations, national and regional organizations, and industry and environmental NGOs. Some of my current or future clients may be affected positively or negatively by the phase out of ODSs or other actions of the Montreal Protocol

3) Neither myself, nor my wife or children serve as a director or employee for any entity that has an interest for the subject matter of the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel or the Montreal Protocol.

4) My interests and those of my wife and my children, include the following::
Human interests: Concern for health, prosperity and environmental quality of present and future generations, and in particular for a safe and sustainable stratospheric ozone layer and a global climate system. I have strong personal views on many environmental topics.

5) Proprietary interests: None related to ODSs or their alternatives and do not own stocks in companies producing ODSs or alternatives and substitutes to ODSs. I receive no royalty from any invention.

My travel and accommodation costs related to TEAP meetings are covered by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).