

Mario Andrew Capitelli
Co-Chief Operating Officer

Mario Capitelli accepted the position of Co-Chief Operating Officer of Alenia North America Inc. in August 2008, focusing on managing the day-to-day operations of the company and working towards the opening of the new C-27J production facility in Jacksonville, FL. Mario came on board the staff at the Washington DC headquarters after having held the position of Chief Executive Officer of Global Aeronautica, LLC, a joint venture between Alenia North America Inc., a Finmeccanica company, and The Boeing Company, since November 2007.

During Mario's leadership at Global Aeronautica, the plant successfully delivered four mid-fuselage sections of the Boeing 787 Dreamliner with increasing levels of configuration to the Boeing final assembly facility in Everett, Wash. Mario executed improvements to the company's benefits package, provided additional services to employees and effectively implemented improved business processes throughout the organization. He led the seamless transition process during a recent change in ownership for the joint venture without delay or disruption to production or business operations.

Mario has over 34 years of experience in the aerospace industry and has held positions with progressive responsibilities in operations and program management in the high technology military defense market with Northrop Grumman. Prior to joining Global Aeronautica, Mario was the Program Director and Production Transition IPT Leader on the Tanker Replacement Program Capture Team. He was responsible for organizing, planning and directing all resources required to develop the production transition approach for producing the Tanker replacement aircraft from the Airbus 330 aircraft, and was responsible for the establishment of the Northrop Grumman planned Tanker Production Center in Mobile, Alabama.

Prior to his position on the Tanker Capture Team, Mario was the Program Director and IPT Leader of the Joint STARS Production Program. He was responsible for the production, test and sell-off of the Joint STARS weapon system to the USAF and during that time, directed the successful completion and sell-off of all 17 production aircraft.

In 1991, Mario was named Director of Manufacturing Operations at Airborne Ground Surveillance / Integrated Sector for Northrop Grumman's facility in Melbourne, Florida. He was responsible for the overall coordination of manufacturing, material management, and site facilities.

Mario began his career in Long Island, New York, at Grumman Corporation. He progressed through various assignments in operations and program management, eventually serving as Program Director for Contract Manufacturing at Space & Electronics Division.

Mario holds a dual bachelor's degree in economics and psychology from New York State University at Oneonta. Born and raised in Long Island, New York, he is married and has three children.