

Jorge Alberto Costa e Silva
Curriculum Vitae
Brief Summary

Jorge Alberto Costa e Silva developed a national and international career in the fields of health, education, research and politics of NGO (non governmental organizations) and intergovernmental organizations (United Nations – UN, World Health Organization – WHO and UNESCO).

In Brazil he has been professor and chairman of three important universities, dean of medical school and vice-president for research and education at the State University of Rio de Janeiro. He is Vice-President of the Brazilian Academy of Medicine (the oldest scientific and cultural organization in Latin America - 182 years old), Titular Member of the Brazilian Academy of Philosophy and the Brazilian Academy of Science. At present, he is also President of the Brazilian Brain Institute (INBRACER).

In his international career, he was President and Executive Director of the World Psychiatric Association (WPA), President of the International Council for Mental Health, President of the World Association for Social Psychiatry, International Director of the World Health Organization (Geneva), Director of the International Center for Mental Health Policy and Research at New York University Medical School, Professor and Vice-Chairman for International Affairs – University of Miami.

He is also member of the International Council for Global Health Progress (UNESCO – Paris), lifetime council member of the World Psychiatric Association (WPA).

Recently, he has been elected Senator of the International Parliament for Safety and Peace.

He is Honorary and Emeritus Member of several non-governmental organizations and has received many international and national awards and medals like the “World Leader of Psychiatry” by the World Psychiatric Association (this award is given to the psychiatrist who most contributed to the development of psychiatry worldwide); the "Legion d'Honneur" by the French Government, “Doctor Honoris Causa” by the National University of Asunción – Paraguay.

He has written several books and scientific papers.