

## **Biography**

Name: Rashad Karaky

<u>Title:</u> Director Technical

**Company:** Arab Air Carriers' Organization – AACO

Rashad joined AACO in 2006. Since 2011, he heads AACO Technical department which encompasses all issues related to Aviation Safety, Aviation Security, Flight Operations, Airspace Infrastructure, and Engineering & Maintenance. He coordinates the activities of three major airline collaboration initiatives in Emergency Response Planning & Crisis Management, Aviation Security, and Engineering & Maintenance. He also collaborates and works closely with states, airlines, organizations, and industry on the regional and global levels to advocate the interests of member airlines, and to promote and foster collaboration among all stakeholders in order to overcome regional difficulties and ensure an efficient, effective and sustainable aviation sector.

Prior to this role, Rashad was responsible in AACO for airline IT issues between 2008 and 2010, and headed the Economics and Finance departments between 2007 and 2016.

Prior to joining AACO, Rashad was employed in the computer software industry. He holds a BS in Computer Science and a MBA from the Lebanese American University in Beirut, and holds the Aviation Security Professional Management Certification from ICAO and Concordia University.