



## **Alberto Parrondo Thales Groud Transportation Strategy VP**

Alberto Parrondo, 53-year-old from Madrid (Spain), with a master degree in Mathematics (Operations Research) from the Complutense University of Madrid, holds also a PDG (General Management Programme) from the IESE Business School and a Master of Public Administration from the University of Southern California. He was appointed in February 2017 as Vice President Strategy, Ground Transportation Systems for THALES. In April 2013 he was appointed as Vice President, Integrated Communications & Supervision (ICS) Systems BL in Ground Transportation Systems Global Business Unit for THALES. He is member of the Board of several THALES companies worldwide (Thales España, Thales Programas de Seguridad, Thales Portugal, Thales Security Systems...).

Parrondo is in charge of the Strategy of the worldwide Ground Transportation activities for THALES, including the Signalling, Telecommunications, Supervision and Ticketing for Urban and Main Lines. He has lived for many years in several countries, and speaks fluently English, French and Spanish, and is able to communicate in Italian and Portuguese.

He is experienced in setting up and managing international and multinational teams, with a focus on delivering transformation. He is extremely customer minded, and has a strong commercial focus for developing new business and relations. He has set strategies at Country level and for worldwide business, for the development of new products, new businesses, and long term performance improvements.

With over 30-years' experience in the areas of Transport, Defense, Aerospace, Security and Banking, Parrondo began his professional career in 1987 in Banco Santander, joining the NAAWS NATO programme a year later at the Naval Weapons Center in California, as Simulation Manager. In June 1994, he became Project Manager at Isdefe for Defense, Transportation and Aerospace project. He also held other positions of responsibility (Director of Military Systems: 2000-2006; Director of Consulting and Defence Processes: 2006-2008).

While he was Thales Spain Country Director (2008-2013), he also became Vice President of Amper Programas and Board member of Indra Espacio and SAES (Sociedad Anónima de Electrónica Submarina) and Board member of the French-Spanish Chamber of Commerce and Industry in Madrid.

Parrondo is Honorary Professor at the Complutense University of Madrid, Mathematic Faculty, where he taught from 2004 Dynamic Programming, Mathematical Programming, Statistical Inference, Game Theory, Graph Theory, Combinatorial Optimization.

Married and with three daughters, Alberto Parrondo enjoys spending all his spare time with his family and admits he is a lover of opera, reading and collecting art.

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