



# Federal Aviation Administration

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Dr. Michael (Mike) Romanowski is the FAA Aircraft Certification Service's (AIR) Director of the Policy & Innovation Division (AIR-600).

Prior to joining AIR, Mike was the FAA's Director of Commercial Space Integration, where he provided executive leadership and direction for the evaluation and regulation of commercial spaceports, launches and reentries, and the integration of these operations within the National Airspace System. Mike also served as the FAA representative to the White House's National Science and Technology Council and its Committee on Technology. He was the aviation advisor to the first-ever Chief Technology Officer of the United States during his time in the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy. Mike also served as the FAA Director of NextGen Integration and Implementation, with responsibility for ensuring the integrated application, planning, programming, budgeting, and execution of FAA's NextGen air traffic management modernization portfolio. In these roles, he focused on developing and advancing strategies and policies across the federal government and the private sector to promote innovation and accelerate the benefits of federal investments in aviation and aeronautics.



Before the FAA, Mike was Vice President of Civil Aviation at the Aerospace Industries Association, where he oversaw all activities on aviation-related issues and policy, including the areas of research and development, aviation infrastructure, and safety and security. At the same time, he was President of the National Center for Advanced Technologies, a non-profit corporation that assists the federal government by developing cooperative links between government, academia, and business on policy issues, with a focus on civil and military aerospace research and development. Mike also held position as the Director of Product Safety, Certification and Airworthiness at Sikorsky Aircraft with responsibilities spanning their entire product line. Before joining Sikorsky, he held a similar role at Pratt and Whitney.

Mike received his Doctorate of Philosophy in Mechanical Engineering from Duke University. He also holds a Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and a Bachelor of Science in Aerospace Engineering from Boston University.