

SAUL BRACERO

Mr. Saul Bracero joined DSCA in September 2011 and has held multiple positions within the Agency. Currently, he is the Defense Security Cooperation University acting Provost, Deputy Assistant Director for Enterprise Support, and Team Lead for the Security Cooperation Organization (SCO) Management. The Office of the Provost and the Enterprise Support Division manage a broad range of activities that support the Defense Security Cooperation University (DSCU). The Enterprise Support Team oversees all DSCU administration and operations, the SC Workforce Development Program, International Military Training and Education Policy, and provides executive agent support to the DoD Regional Center for Strategic Studies enterprise. The SCO team is responsible for improving DSCA funded management functions of SCOs operating in 159 U.S. Embassies. Before this assignment, Saul was the Institutional Capacity Building Division Chief, where transformed how the Department delivers non-material security cooperation assistance to global security partners through the implementation of strategic international advising, education and training programs, defense institution building, and the DoD Regional Center enterprise. While serving as the Africa Center for Strategic Studies Chief of Staff, he oversaw operational program management functions of an academic institution supporting National level strategic priorities for Africa.

He brings over 30 years of leadership; policy development; security cooperation; intelligence analysis; and humanitarian, peacekeeping, and operational experience. He retired from the U.S. Army in 2013 after 26 years of active duty having served as a Sub-Saharan Africa Foreign Area and as a Military Police Officer. His service included assignments culminating at the national policy level as well as operational assignments in Germany, Cameroon, Iraq, Panama, and Cuba. In Iraq he served as the Iraqi Police Transition Team Chief to assist the National Police improve community policing, rule of law, and law enforcement operations. At the national strategic level, he served as the Director of East and Central Africa in the Office of the Secretary of Defense working peacekeeping, intelligence sharing and fusion, security cooperation, and counterterrorism. While assigned to the Defense Intelligence Agency, Mr. Bracero oversaw all Defense strategic intelligence analysis production for Africa directly supporting national level intelligence consumers. While assigned to the U.S. European Command in Stuttgart Germany, Mr. Bracero served as the security cooperation program manager for West and Central Africa overseeing sensitive security cooperation projects to improve the capacity of several African countries ability to respond and react to crisis. Earlier in his military career, Mr. Bracero held several key Military Police positions with assignment and operational deployments to Germany, Panama, South Korea, and Cuba.

Mr. Bracero holds a Master of Science degree in National Strategic Studies from the National War College; a Master of Arts degree in International Relations and a Certificate of African Studies from the University of Florida; and a Bachelor of Arts Degree in International Relations from Brigham Young University; He is also a graduate of the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, and Military Police Officer Basic and Advance Courses.