

***Nomination for the Charles Lindbergh Diploma
Jesús Mas Menargues***

Jesús Mas is one of the most remarkable persons in the Spanish General Aviation sector.

Private pilot since 1980, he also became commercial and IFR pilot in 2003. He has accumulated more than 3,500 flying hours, 90 % of them in competition, in the disciplines of rally and precision flying, participating in both national and international events every year since he became member of the Spanish Rally Flying Team in 1986.

He has played a key role at institutional level in Spain: President of the Spanish General Aviation Commission for 13 years (1990 – 2003), Vice-president of the Royal Spanish Aeronautical Federation for the same period, Bureau member of the Royal Aero Club of Spain for 27 years and, at a regional level, he has been President, Vice-president and Treasurer of the Aero Club of Alicante for many years now. He has been GAC-FAI international judge since the year 2000, and Jury Member since 2005.

Jesus has developed a remarkable ability as Competition Director and Manager, organizing 12 Spanish championships as well as some open and second class events, together with 17 events run every year around our country: the “Vuelta Aérea a España”. With that experience he has been able to organize successfully four FAI first class events: two World Rally Flying Championships (Córdoba 2001–WAG and Castellón 2012) and two European Championships in Rally Flying and Precision Flying (Córdoba 2001–WAG and Castellón 2009).

In 1997, he was awarded with the FAI Paul Tissandier Diploma.

Due to his career and dedication to the General Aviation, we propose Mr. Jesús Mas to be awarded with the Charles Lindbergh Diploma.