

**NICOLÁS JARA ORELLANA**  
**PAST INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR**

Dr. Nicolás Jara Orellana from Quito, Ecuador, was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of Lions Clubs International at the association's 100th International Convention held in Chicago, Illinois, USA, June 30 through July 4, 2017.

Director Jara is a director of hematology and oncology as well as a professor of medicine.

A member of the Quito Eugenio Espejo Lions Club, and a Lion since 1990, he has held many offices within the association, including club president, district governor, multiple district LCIF coordinator, multiple district centennial coordinator and GMT area leader. Director Jara was appointed to a three-year term as trustee for the Lions Clubs International Foundation in 2021.

In recognition of his service to the association, Director Jara has received numerous awards, including two International Leadership Awards and seven International President's Awards. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, Director Jara has been active in numerous professional and community organizations, including the administration board of Hospital Metropolitano, viceminister of health in Ecuador and president of the Ecuadorian Society of Hematology.

Director Jara and his wife, Margarita, also a Lion and Melvin Jones Fellow, have two sons, one daughter and two grandchildren.