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Olga D. González-Sanabria serves as chief, Systems Management Office at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's Glenn Research Center in Cleveland, OH. Her government service spans 23 years.

In this capacity, González-Sanabria supports the development of Center level strategic processes, implementation planning, and decision guidelines for program direction and resource allocation. She also ensures development and implementation of Center policies, processes and procedures that are consistent with NASA's Program and Project Management Processes and Requirements and oversees the implementation of Glenn's Business Management System.

Prior to her current position, González-Sanabria served as chief of Glenn's Plans and Programs Office and as executive officer to Glenn's Center Director. In the Plans and Programs Office she provided integration of the Center's aeronautics and space programs. As executive officer, she was responsible for assisting the Center Director in planning, organizing and managing Glenn's institutional and technical programs. She has experience as a project manager and a researcher and has also had work assignments at other NASA Centers including Headquarters, providing her a comprehensive view of the Agency.

González-Sanabria received her bachelor of science from the University of Puerto Rico and her master of science from the University of Toledo, both in chemical engineering. She has also received numerous prestigious awards including the NASA Medal for Outstanding Leadership (2002), Women of Color in Technology Career Achievement Award (2000), NASA Exceptional Service Medal (1993), and R&D 100 Award (1988). Additionally, she holds a patent and has authored/co-authored over 30 technical reports and presentations for journals and conferences.

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Director of Engineering and Technical Services Directorate

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Olga D. González-Sanabria serves as Director of Engineering at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's (NASA) Glenn Research Center in Cleveland, Ohio. Her government service spans 28 years. In this capacity, González-Sanabria is responsible for planning, organizing, and directing a full range of integrated services including engineering design and development, fabrication, systems engineering and integration, and systems analysis. The Directorate is comprised of a workforce of over 400 engineers, technicians, and support personnel.



Prior to her current position, González-Sanabria served as Director of Engineering and Technical Services, planning, organizing, and directing a full range of integrated services including engineering, fabrication, testing, facility management, and aircraft services, and maintained overall responsibility for the Center's Plum Brook Station in Sandusky, Ohio. She also served as Director of the Systems Management Office where she supported the development of Center level strategic processes, implementation planning, and decision guidelines for program direction and resource allocation.

González-Sanabria began her NASA career at NASA's Glenn Research Center in 1979. Other positions she has held at Glenn include Chief of Glenn's Plans and Programs Office and Executive Officer to Glenn's Center Director. In the Plans and Programs Office, she provided integration of the Center's aeronautics and space programs. As Executive Officer, she was responsible for assisting the Center Director in planning, organizing, and managing Glenn's institutional and technical programs. She has experience as a project manager and a researcher and has had work assignments at other NASA Centers including Headquarters, providing her a comprehensive view of the Agency.

González-Sanabria was born in Puerto Rico. She received her Bachelor of Science from the University of Puerto Rico and her Master of Science from the University of Toledo, both in chemical engineering. She is a patentee in her field and has authored/co-authored over 30 technical reports and presentations for journals and conferences.

In 2006 she received the Presidential Rank Award, in 2004 she received the YWCA Woman of Achievement Award, and in 2003 she was inducted into the Ohio Women's Hall of Fame. She has also received numerous prestigious awards including the NASA Medal for Outstanding Leadership (2002), Women of Color in Technology Career Achievement Award (2000), NASA Exceptional Service Medal (1993), and R&D 100 Award (1988).