



## PROFILE

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Born, Valencia (Spain), December 27, 1948

## EDUCATION

Superior Baccalaureate (1967), Diploma, Fortran IV programming (1973), Courses, training and professional studies on Finance, Risk Management, and Pensions (1976-2005), self-taught student of many scientific disciplines.

## PROFESSIONAL CAREER

Ford Spain: Finance Analyst (1976-1978), Investment Project Analyst (1979-1980), Labor Cost Analyst (1981-1982), Manager, Insurance, Benefits and Pensions (1983-2005). Early retirement: January 1, 2006.

## AWARDS AND GRANTS

\*1982: Fund for UFO Research (Washington, D.C.) scholarship for research on UFO close encounter cases reported in Spain and Portugal

\*1983: Co-awarded with John Schuessler (NASA) the Alvin Lawson Award, "for his advances in the scientific comprehension of the UFO phenomenon"

\*1998: Nominated to the Isabel L. Davies Memorial Award, MUFON Inc.

\*1998: Anaparétesis Award, Anomaly Foundation

## DUTIES

\*1968-1973: Founder and President, CEONI, Valencia, Spain

\*1969-1970: Founder, ENI, Spain

\*1978-1982: Coordinator, Consejo de Consultores de Stendek, Spain

\*1983-1985: Journal editor-in-chief, UPIAR Research in Progress, Milano, Italy

\*1992-1999: Director of Investigations, Centro de Estudios Interplanetarios (CEI), Barcelona, Spain

\*1997-2004: Co-founder, Vice-president and Research Director, Anomaly Foundation, Santander (Spain)

\*2005-: member, Steering Committee, Euro UFO Network

## MEMBERSHIPS

Member, representative, adviser, consultant to a number of the most important UFO societies and journals in the world: Mutual UFO Network, Inc. (MUFON), J.A. Hynek Center for UFO Studies (CUFOS), Society for the Scientific Exploration (SSE), National Aviation Reporting Center on Anomalous Phenomena (NARCAP), European Journal of UFO and Abduction Studies, Cuadernos de Ufología, Revista UFO, amongst others.

## BOOKS PUBLISHED

**OVNIS: El fenómeno aterrizaje**, Plaza & Janés (Barcelona), 1978,1979, and1984. Foreword by Dr. Jacques Vallée.

**Los OVNIS y la Ciencia** (with Miguel Guasp), Plaza & Janés (Barcelona), 1981, and1989. Foreword by Dr. J. Allen Hynek.

**Investigación OVNI**, Plaza & Janés (Barcelona), 1984. Foreword by Dr. Richard Haines.

**Enciclopedia de los encuentros cercanos con OVNIS** (with Juan Antonio Fernández), Plaza & Janés (Barcelona), 1987

**Expedientes insólitos**, Temas de Hoy (Madrid), 1995. Foreword by Javier Sierra. Epilogue by Dr. Jacques Vallée.

## RECOGNITIONS

\*1998: Biographical quotation in Marquis Who's Who in the World.

\*2001: Unique civil ufologist interviewed by the Revista Española de Defensa (official publication of the Spanish Ministry of Defense): <http://www.anomalia.org/redef.htm>

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Vicente-Juan Ballester Olmos has been investigating UFO phenomena since 1966, he is an active promoter of scientific-oriented ufology and he is proactively focused to team work.

Mr Ballester Olmos is the author of 370 publications, essays, articles, case inquiries, bibliographies, book reviews, technical reports, etc since 1965. His bibliography can be consulted on-line in the following url: <http://www.anomalia.org/bibliog1.pdf>

## LECTURER

Mr Ballester Olmos has given frequent speeches in many UFO congresses held in Spain, France, England, Germany, Italy, and the United States of America.

## DECLASSIFICATION OF THE UFO FILES OF THE SPANISH AIR FORCE

From 1992 to 1999, Vicente-Juan Ballester Olmos played a fundamental role in promoting and supervising the start and development of the process of declassification of UFO archives from the Spanish Air Force, through an active cooperation with the Intelligence Section of the Air Operative Command (now Combat Air Command).

## FOTOCAT PROJECT

From year 2001, Mr Ballester Olmos is managing the FOTOCAT Project, an in-progress project from the Spanish not-for-profit Anomaly Foundation, aimed to create the largest worldwide catalogue of UFO cases where photographs, films or videos have been achieved. 8, 500 cases are in the database todte.