

## **Gilmar Mendes - Justice Supreme Court, Brazil**

Gilmar Ferreira Mendes is a Brazilian Justice of the Supremo Tribunal Federal, having been appointed in 2002. As a public servant, Mendes has held the posts of Attorney General of the Republic (for which he was ranked first in a public examination), Assistant to the General Under-Secretariat of the Presidency of the Republic, Legal Advisor to the General Secretariat of the Presidency of the Republic, Technical Advisor to the Reporter of the Constitutional Revision of the House of Representatives, Technical Advisor to the Ministry of Justice and Deputy Head for Legal Affairs of the Civil House of the Presidency of the Republic. After being appointed Union Attorney General in January 2000, Gilmar Mendes has promoted substantial changes in the careers that make up the Brazilian Public Attorneys' Office. In June 2002, he took office as a Minister of the Federal Supreme Court, a Court in which he served as President during the biennium 2008/2010. Before that, he served as a Minister of the Superior Electoral Court, over which he also presided.