Executive Biographies

Brian Cuccias
Executive Vice President and President, Ingalls Shipbuilding

Brian Cuccias is executive vice president of Huntington Ingalls Industries and president of Ingalls Shipbuilding. Named to this position in 2014, he is responsible for all programs and operations at Ingalls, including the U.S. Navy’s amphibious assault and surface combatant ship programs and the U.S. Coast Guard’s National Security Cutter program.

Cuccias began his shipbuilding career in 1979 with Litton Data Systems, where he served as a financial analyst on several Navy programs, including amphibious assault ships and Spruance- and Kidd-class destroyers. Since then, he has held a number of positions of increasing responsibility, including: assistant to the group vice president of Avondale Industries; sector vice president, material, for Northrop Grumman Ship Systems; program manager and vice president for Northrop Grumman’s DDG 1000 program; and vice president, surface combatants, for Northrop Grumman Shipbuilding, which included Arleigh Burke-class (DDG 51) and Zumwalt-class (DDG 1000) destroyers and Coast Guard programs.

Most recently, Cuccias served as Ingalls’ vice president, program management, responsible for program execution and financial performance for all ships produced by the shipyard.

Cuccias earned a bachelor’s degree in accounting from the University of South Alabama and has completed executive education programs at Harvard Business School and the University of Pennsylvania’s Wharton School. He serves on the executive committee and board of directors for the Mississippi Gulf Coast Business Council, as well as on the boards of directors for the Mississippi Economic Council, the Mississippi Partnership for Economic Development, the Jackson County Economic Development Foundation and the Salvation Army of Mobile, Alabama. In 2018, he was honored as one of the “Top CEOs in Mississippi” by the Mississippi Business Journal.

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