

David Sliwa - Bio

Mr. Sliwa is a retired U.S. Navy Commander and Naval Aviator. While in the Navy he served as a Mission Commander, Instructor, and Flag Pilot in the P-3 Orion as well as the Officer-in-Charge of the Special Weapons Command and Control Center for the European Theater. Commander Sliwa also served as a Catapult and Arresting Gear Officer or “Shooter” on an aircraft carrier and later as a Tactical Aircraft Control Officer and an Air Planning Battle Staff Officer. He has degrees in Aeronautical and Astronautical Engineering as well as Mathematics and Computer Science.

While employed at Insitu, Mr. Sliwa has worked as the Director of Flight Operations, Training, and Customer Support. In this role, he set up each of Insitu’s initial deployment sites for the ScanEagle UAS, personally overseeing the system’s first deployments in Iraq, the first U.S. Navy Shipboard Certifications, and the first Hub-and-Spoke Operations. He is currently Insitu’s Director of Demonstration Systems and leads a Flight Demonstration Team that provides support to military exercises, commercial operations, and post-disaster & emergency response operations. Most recently Mr. Sliwa also served as the Engineering Team Lead in charge of designing Insitu’s next generation of Ground Support Equipment including the Integrator’s Ground Control Station.