



## *Maria Barrados, President*

Ms. Maria Barrados was confirmed as President of the Public Service Commission of Canada effective May 21, 2004. She had served as interim President since November 2003. From December 1993 to that date, she was Assistant Auditor General, Audit Operations, at the Office of the Auditor General of Canada.

Educated as a sociologist, Ms. Barrados has a wealth of knowledge of and a solid background in audit, evaluation and statistical analysis. In 1975, she began her career as a Lecturer and later a Research Project Supervisor at Carleton University. In March 1985, she joined the Office of the Auditor General, where she held positions of increasing responsibility in the Audit Operations Branch. She chaired executive committees on value-for-money and professional practices, representing the Office of the Auditor General at parliamentary hearings and meetings with ministers and senior officials. She was responsible for many financial and value-for-money audits, including audit work related to results measurement, accountability, human resources management and public service renewal.

Ms. Barrados is also involved in her community. She is the Chair of the Ethics and Quality Care Committee at the Ottawa Grace Manor, a member of the Ottawa Grace Manor Board and the Board of the Canadian Council on Health Services Accreditation. In the recent past, she served on the Salvation Army Advisory Board of Ottawa, the Ottawa Hospital as a member of the Board of Trustees and as Chair of the Quality and Finance committees of the Board of Trustees.

Ms. Barrados obtained a B.A. with high honours in Sociology from the University of Saskatchewan in 1966. She also has an M.A. in Sociology from McGill University (1970) and a Ph.D. in Sociology from Carleton University (1978).

She is a recipient of the Confederation Medal (1992).

Ms. Barrados is married and has one daughter. She was born in the Netherlands, is a Canadian citizen and lives in Ottawa.