## Mário Cristina de Sousa Minister of the Economy

Mário Cristina de Sousa was born on Oct. 12, 1946, in the Azores. He holds degrees in economics.

A former assistant professor, Mr. de Sousa has been a managing director and board member of several organizations.

The Secretary of State for Planning from 1983 to 1985, Mr. de Sousa was named Minister of the Economy in October 2000.

Mr. de Sousa is married and has two children.