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## **IBAC Welcomes ICAO Council Adoption of CORSIA Standards and Recommended Practices**

MONTREAL – 29 June 2018 – The International Business Aviation Council (IBAC) applauds the adoption by the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) Council of a set of standards and recommended practices that establish a single, fair carbon-offsetting system for international aviation – the Carbon Offsetting and Reduction Scheme for International Aviation (CORSIA).

A global measure, the CORSIA will help covered operators mitigate and reduce their carbon emissions from international flights as part of a broader strategy advanced by industry to address emissions through innovative technologies, including sustainable alternative fuels, operational improvements, and infrastructure modernization. CORSIA aligns with the Business Aviation Commitment on Climate Change (BACCC), introduced in 2009 by the industry through IBAC and the General Aviation Manufacturers Association (GAMA). The BACCC outlines the industry's commitment to a comprehensive program to reduce its overall CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.

Throughout 2018, IBAC has been working closely with IBAC member associations, the Air Transport Action Group (ATAG), and the International Air Transport Association (IATA) to prepare operators for obligations that begin in January 2019 to document and form a baseline for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions on all international flights. More [workshops](#) and CORSIA presentations are planned worldwide for the remainder of 2018, including one during National Business Aviation Association's (NBAA) Business Aviation Conference and Exhibition (BACE) held in October in Orlando, Florida.

Kurt Edwards, Director General of IBAC, commented, "This is a major step to the implementation of CORSIA, and we commend ICAO for adopting the SARPs package at an accelerated pace. I encourage all international business aircraft operators to consult the IBAC Web page on [CORSIA](#) and, if covered, to attend one of the remaining workshops to understand this new global system and how to complete and submit an emissions monitoring plan."

Edwards added, "States must now translate a new set of global standards into national requirements in time for the January 2019 launch of CORSIA. Just as operators are working hard to understand their obligations, we urge States to focus efforts on preparing themselves for timely and orderly implementation."

To determine whether a business aircraft operator is required to participate in the CORSIA programme, go to the IBAC.org website at [Countdown to CORSIA](#). More details about CORSIA can also be found on the [ICAO CORSIA web page](#). To receive further CORSIA updates, please register by emailing [CORSIA@IBAC.org](mailto:CORSIA@IBAC.org).

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