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Aviation Leaders to Attract the Best and Brightest to the World Capital of Civil Aviation

MONTREAL, QUÉBEC, CANADA, 25 March 2013 – ACI is pleased to announce the official launch of the anticipated Young Aviation Professionals Programme that will attract three talented aviation professionals to Montreal, Canada— the world capital of civil aviation.



9 January 2013: Signing of a Memorandum of Understanding by Aviation Leaders to Establish the Young Aviation Professionals Programme

Left to right: Angela Gittens, Director General, ACI; Raymond Benjamin, Secretary General, ICAO; Tony Tyler, Director General and CEO, IATA.

The launch of the programme follows the January 9, 2013 signing of a high-profile memorandum of agreement between aviation heavyweights, Airports Council International (ACI), the International Air Transport Association (IATA), and the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) to support the development of aviation career professionals. At the signing of the memorandum, ACI Director General Angela Gittens commented, “ACI is proud to work alongside ICAO and IATA as we continue



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to develop professionalism in the industry. The global aviation business is becoming more complex and for the first time this will give the best and the brightest an opportunity to participate in its future development from three perspectives.”

As part of the Young Aviation Professionals Programme, each of the three candidates will spend four months at ACI, IATA and ICAO, for a total of 12 months, where they will contribute to and deepen their knowledge and understanding of aviation safety, security and environment, with a focus on the inter-relationships between regulatory activities and the airport and airline industries.

Young Professionals will be accompanied by a personal mentor throughout each leg of the programme and provided with regular performance feedback during and the end of their assignments. After successful conclusion of the programme, the Young Aviation Professionals will be retained on a roster for consideration for potential future employment opportunities with ACI, IATA and ICAO.

Candidates under the age of 35, with a minimum of a Master's degree (or equivalent), and an interest in international civil aviation policy development are encouraged to submit their candidature by completing an online application. Candidates must include a letter of motivation that details their professional achievements to date, overall interest in and suitability for the Programme, and career aspirations in regulatory activities and/or the aviation industry. All programme details, documents and the online application form are available at the following URL: <http://bit.ly/10bdPd2>.

The closing date for receipt of applications is 11 April 2013.

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About ACI

ACI is the only global trade representative of the world's airports. Established in 1991, ACI represents airports' interests with governments and international organizations, develops standards, policies and recommended practices for airports, and provides information and training opportunities to raise standards around the world.



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About ICAO

ICAO was created in 1944 to promote the safe and orderly development of civil aviation in the world. A specialized Agency of the United Nations, it sets international standards and regulations necessary for the safety, security, efficiency and regularity of air transport and serves as the medium for cooperation in all fields of civil aviation among its 191 Contracting States.

About IATA

IATA is the prime vehicle for inter-airline cooperation in promoting safe, reliable, secure and economical air services for the benefit of the world's consumers. Founded in 1945, IATA develops global commercial standards, practices and procedures for the air transport industry. It aims to assist airlines by simplifying processes and increasing passenger convenience while reducing costs and improving efficiency.

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