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ICAO TO HOST INAUGURAL SYMPOSIUM ON TECHNICAL COOPERATION

MONTRÉAL, 24 September 2014 – As part of its ongoing work towards harmonizing global implementation of aviation standards, the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) is convening the first-ever Global Aviation Cooperation Symposium (GACS) from 30 September to 3 October 2014 at its headquarter in Montréal.

Focused on the theme of *Building Cooperation for the Future of Civil Aviation: Innovation, Growth, and Technical Cooperation*, the symposium, organized by the Organization's Technical Cooperation Bureau, will provide a platform for discussion of key issues, exchange of important information on latest trends and innovations, and the sharing of best practices supporting a safe and efficient future for global air transport.

Together governments, airport operators, air navigation service providers and other industry professionals will consider how to improve the coordination and delivery of technical cooperation and assistance across the full spectrum of civil aviation activity.

Topics to be presented include: ICAO Technical Cooperation Programme in response to State's needs; Aviation safety and security issues in the context of Technical Cooperation; Air Navigation Services and new technologies, Airport Management and best practices; ICAO Guidance through Technical Cooperation, and Aviation Economic Growth and Development.

WHAT: Global Aviation Cooperation Symposium (GACS)

WHEN: 30 September to 3 October 2014

WHO: <u>List of Speakers</u>

WHERE: ICAO, 999 University, Montréal, QC, Atrium-level doorway south of main entrance

Additional Information: GACS webpage

<u>Programme</u>

Webcast: https://meet.lync.com/oaci/lyncconference/SBGRX8RU

First Lync Meeting?

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Other background: ICAO's Technical Cooperation Programme provides advice and assistance in the

development and implementation of projects across the full spectrum of civil aviation. Its mission is to efficiently respond to the technical needs of ICAO Member States ensuring compliance with ICAO SARPs and cooperating with them in the sustainable development of Air Transport and Air Navigation, as well as capacity-building.