## **Aviation Labour Shortage Forum Invitation**

Transport Canada invites you to participate in a one-day Aviation Labour Shortage Forum to address labour shortages and capacity constraints facing the aviation industry. The forum will have a specific focus on increasing the participation of non-traditional groups within the aviation industry with a focus on the recruitment and retention of pilots and aircraft maintenance engineers.

The forum will be held in Ottawa, Ontario at the Barney Danson Theatre located at the Canadian War Museum on October 2<sup>nd</sup> from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and will precede the Canadian Council for Aviation & Aerospace's (CCAA) National Labour Market Strategy Day which will be held the following day, on October 3<sup>rd</sup>, at the same venue.

The objective of this forum is to bring together diverse stakeholder groups, education and training institutions and key industry representatives to identify existing barriers faced by women and Indigenous peoples regarding careers in the aviation industry. The findings from this forum will be used to inform how the Government of Canada can work more effectively with industry partners and key stakeholders to provide solutions to identified barriers and gaps. A draft agenda is attached for your information.

I look forward to your participation as we work to address this very important issue facing the Canadian aviation industry. I would ask that you please RSVP to Shireen Alimorad <a href="mailto:Shireen.alimorad@tc.gc.ca">Shireen.alimorad@tc.gc.ca</a>, by September 14th, 2018. Please indicate in your response if you have any food allergies, so that we can accommodate you to the best of our ability.

Sincerely,

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