Christian Schleifer

ICAO Council Candidate 2022 representing Austria and the ABIS Group

Christian is an aviation enthusiast and professional with more than 30 years experience in civil aviation. He has in-depth expertise as an engineer and pilot in both the private and the public sectors. His expertise includes regulation, standardisation, and implementation on the operational and management levels.

Christian has spent the past eight years as Secretary General and CEO of EUROCAE, the leading European-based international aviation standard developing organisation (SDO). He has been responsible for reorganising, restructuring, and modernising EUROCAE to serve today's needs with high quality standards, while ensuring global harmonisation and worldwide interoperability.

This is not the first time that Christian lands at Montreal International, as he served at the ICAO Air Navigation Commission (ANC) from 2009 to 2013 and was ANC President in 2012 and 2013. Prior to ICAO, Christian held several positions at the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) in Austria, as airworthiness surveyor, accredited EASA aircraft and equipment certification expert, as well as rule-making expert for technical, operational, and policy matters.

Christian has a background in Electronic Engineering, holds a Commercial Pilot License (CPL), and actively flies single and multi-engine aircraft. In addition to his background in technology and operational aviation, he graduated from the University of Minnesota and the Vienna University of Economics with a Global Executive MBA. He is married and has two children. In his spare time Christian rides motorcycles and loves to spend time in the mountains.

Key fundamentals to Christian's work ethic are transparency, accountability and honesty. His management style can be described as leading by example and consensus oriented, while striving for the best: Christian brings to the table a variety of experiences gained at the global, regional and national level, that he will employ to serve ICAO's objectives, thus ensuring a safe aviation system, fit to connect our generation and the ones ahead.

Christian believes in the important role ICAO plays in global aviation. The global framework and the international platform provided by ICAO are crucial. Christian stands ready to serve the ICAO Council ensuring effective and constructive governance to address the challenges aviation is facing today and tomorrow.

I am determined to serve ICAO and the global aviation community to address the challenges of today and tomorrow. –Christian Schleifer



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