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## PATA ANNOUNCES NEW EXECUTIVE BOARD



BANGKOK, The (PATA) is pleased to announce the ratification of the 2019/2020 PATA Executive Board. Dr. Chris Bottrill, Dean of Fine and Applied Arts, and Director, International at Capilano University in North Vancouver, Canada and Ms. Sarah Mathews, Head of Destination Marketing APAC – TripAdvisor, Hong Kong SAR have been formally approved to continue for an additional one-year term as Chairman and Immediate Past Chairperson, respectively. During the PATA Annual Summit in Cebu, Philippines, PATA also elected five new members to its Executive Board including Mr. Soon-Hwa Wong, CEO - Asia Tourism Consulting Pte. Ltd., Singapore; Mr. Benjamin Liao, Chairman - Forte Hotel Group, Chinese Taipei; Ms Jennifer Chun, Director, Tourism Research - Hawaii Tourism Authority, USA; Mr. Vinoop Goel, Regional Director - Airports & External Relations, International Air Transportation Association (IATA), Singapore, and Mr. Henry Oh, Jr., Chairman - Global Tour Ltd., Korea (ROK). Other Executive Board members include Ms. Maria Helena de Senna Fernandes, Director – Macao Government Tourism Office, Macao, China; Mr. Bill Calderwood, Managing Director – The Ayre Group Consulting, Australia; Mr. Jon Nathan

Denight, Representative, Palau Visitors Authority, Palau; Mr. Shahid Hamid, Executive Director- Dhaka Regency Hotel & Resort, Bangladesh, and Mr. Luzi Matzig, Chairman – Asian Trails Ltd., Thailand. Mr. Soon-Hwa Wong was elected as the new Vice Chairman, while Ms. Maria Helena de Senna Fernandes remains Secretary/Treasurer. Mr. Soon Hwa has some 40 years of extensive experience in the Asia Pacific tourism and hospitality industry. After a long and successful corporate career, he founded Asia Tourism Consulting to provide advisory and consulting services to commercial and not-for-profit enterprises. During his career, he started the Hertz Asia Pacific office in Singapore in 1993. After Hertz, as Regional Director - Asia Pacific, he helped Blacklane GmbH establish the Singapore regional office and built a service network covering some 80 cities. Prior to Hertz, he was Regional Manager - South East Asia for Air New Zealand, GM Marketing of Mansfield Travel and Deputy GM Avis Singapore. On the election of the new Executive Board PATA CEO Mario Hardy said, "I look forward to working with our new Executive Board in supporting our members in creating a more

responsible travel and tourism industry in the Asia Pacific region. Our Executive Board this year is truly an example of PATA's diversity and expertise. I am especially proud to recognise that PATA has five women on its Executive Board and five representatives from the Pacific, who will work alongside our other members representing the Americas, Southeast Asia, Northeast Asia and South Asia. I am confident that all of us together will continue to support the productive efforts of the global tourism industry and our core values at PATA." Furthermore, Mr Josefa Tuamoto, CEO - Tourism Solomons, Solomon Islands and Dr. Fanny Vong, President - Institute for Tourism Studies (IFT), Macao, China have been appointed to the Executive Board as non-voting members. Ms Flori-Anne Dela Cruz, Youth Representative - Guam Visitors Bureau Board of Directors, Guam and PATA Face of the Future 2019, joins the PATA Executive Board as a non-voting member and observer for a one-year term at the invitation of the PATA Chairman. The new Executive Board members were confirmed at the PATA Board Meeting on May 12, 2019 during the PATA Annual Summit 2019 in Cebu, Philippines.

## World Tourism Organization Leads Discussion on "Tourism Financing for the 2030 Agenda" at Aid for Trade Conference in Geneva

Geneva, Tourism's unique potential as a tool for driving the global sustainable development agenda has taken center stage at a special event hosted by the World Tourism Organization (UNWTO) in Geneva, Switzerland. The session, entitled "Tourism Financing for the 2030 Agenda" was held during the 2019 Global Review of Aid for Trade at the headquarters of the World Trade Organization (WTO). UNWTO Secretary-General Zurab Pololikashvili began the discussions by highlighting the key role that the global tourism sector plays in economic growth and job creation. Ministers, development partners and financing institutions need to better understand and recognize how tourism can contribute to the 2030 Sustainable Agenda. Tourism is explicitly mentioned as a target in three of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (8, 12 and 14), though, as speakers at the Geneva session noted, for the sector to really realize its enormous potential, the amount of aid and development financing directed towards tourism needs to be increased significantly. Unlocking Tourism's potential for realizing the 2030 Agenda requires a combination of

effective and robust policy frameworks, enhanced private sector action, and an innovative approach to partnerships for development cooperation. "This is an important time for both the tourism and the international development sectors," said Mr Pololikashvili. "Strengthening and unlocking aid flows for tourism will help the sector be a driver of job creation, as well as of social and economic development and economic diversity. UNWTO welcomes the opportunity to join ministers, tourism leaders and our partners for these important talks here in Geneva. Working together we can harness the power of the new aid architecture and ensure that nobody gets left behind as tourism transforms lives around the world." Also joining Mr Pololikashvili for the session were Ms. Arancha González, Executive Director, International Trade Centre (ITC), H.E Dr. Rania Al-Mashat, Minister of Tourism, The Arab Republic of Egypt, Mr. Toshiyuki Nakamura, Director General, Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), and Ms. Caroline Freund, Director of Trade, Regional Integration and Investment Climate, World Bank.

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## DUBAI SEES 17% INCREASE IN DELEGATE IMPACT FROM BUSINESS EVENT BID WINS IN H1 2019

Dubai Business Events, the city's official convention bureau, secures 118 bid wins during the first half of 2019

Events secured are expected to attract over 75,000 delegates Dubai, UAE, Dubai Business Events (DBE), the city's official convention bureau, has recorded exceptional results during the first half of 2019, securing 118 successful bid wins for events to be hosted in Dubai over the coming years. These events won in H1 2019, including conferences, meetings and incentives, are set to attract 75,288 delegates from around the globe to Dubai over the coming years, representing growth of 17% on the delegate impact of bid wins from the same period in 2018.

Issam Kazim, Chief Executive Officer of Dubai Corporation for Tourism and Commerce Marketing, said: "Dubai continues to consolidate its position as a leading destination for global travel and business events, and the recent bid wins are a testimony to the strides we have made as a city to attract and host large scale business events. With the DBE team working closely with stakeholders to ensure that the city has the robust capabilities to cater to a wide range of business events, we are seeing meetings planners and decision makers are finding the city to be an increasingly compelling option. We would like to thank our partners and stakeholders for their ongoing support in driving the contribution of business events to achieving our overall tourism strategy."

During H1, Dubai won a variety of key business events across multiple sectors and industries, including: the Amway China Leadership Seminar 2020, which is expected to attract 8,000 delegates, Sun Hope International Incentive 2020, with 1,500 delegates, World Hospital

Congress 2021, with 1,100 delegates, Geospatial Week 2021, with 750 delegates, and AIPPI World Intellectual Property Congress 2025, with 3,000 delegates.

Dubai Business Events also built on its efforts to engage with meetings industry professionals, both in the city and around the world, through a busy calendar of trade shows, roadshows, study missions and other engagements. At IMEX, a major annual trade show in Frankfurt for the meetings industry, Dubai Business Events was joined by 30 co-exhibitors including Coca-Cola Arena, Dubai World Trade Centre, Emirates, and Expo 2020 Dubai, demonstrating a strong focus on news and upcoming offerings and business events infrastructure in the city. The city's official bureau also hosted five study missions, including groups from India and Europe, which attracted 205 planners and buyers during the first half of 2019. In addition to these inbound missions, DBE also organised roadshows across key markets, visiting cities including London, Toronto, Moscow and Chennai. These roadshows and study missions acted as a platform to meet and engage with key decision makers around the world, and to educate them about the city's offerings as well as services offered by Dubai Business Events. Steen Jakobsen, Assistant Vice President of Dubai Business Events, said: "Dubai continues to see a healthy pipeline of meetings, conferences, congresses and incentives which will take place over the coming years, and this is a testament to the combined efforts of stakeholders and partners across the city and the DBE team in Dubai and in our international offices. The past six months have been a busy and productive period in terms of DBE's ongoing activities and

projects, and Dubai's elevation on a global scale has been supported by new hotel and venue openings, as well as activities and attractions in the city. These developments directly contribute to providing planners with a wide array of options and possibilities when it comes to their events. We look forward to building on this in the second half of 2019, engaging with our stakeholders to promote the city, convert bids into more wins and identify new events to bring to Dubai."

Among the upcoming developments set to enhance the city's status as a business events hub is the Dubai Exhibition Centre, which will be co-located at the Expo 2020 Dubai site and become a major new events venue. The 45,000 square metre facility will be a unique platform for planners, allowing them to host events during the Expo, giving delegates access to a global stage for the six-month duration of the world's largest meeting of minds, while also being a venue option beyond Expo as part of its legacy.

Dubai is gearing up to host an array of business events through the second half of the year, including the second edition of the Dubai Associations Conference (DAC). DAC will take place in December 2019 at the Dubai World Trade Centre (DWTC), and over the course of two days the conference will bring together industry experts from around the world in order to create a positive social impact by building the association community in the region. Dubai is additionally prepping to host world class business events such as Amway APAC Expo 2019, which will attract approximately 10,000 delegates, the World Congress of Neurology, with 5,000 delegates, and the World Conference on Desalination and Water Re-use, with over 1,000 delegates.

## MSB AEROSPACE TO SUPPLY HI-LO TABLES TO FLYING COLOURS CORP.

MSB Aerospace, the U.S. division of Montreal-headquartered company MSB Group has begun the process of supplying MRO and completions business Flying Colours Corp. with customized Hi-Lo tables. This is the first time the two Canadian-headquartered companies have collaborated, and it is the beginning of what both companies anticipate will be a long-term relationship. The agreement sees MSB Aerospace supplying Flying Colours with customized precision engineered Hi-Lo conference, dining, coffee and work station tables for large cabin interiors. The first table, destined for a Bombardier Global aircraft, is scheduled for delivery in late August. The bespoke design is based on the standard single-pedestal manual sliding table MSB has been providing to the Bombardier Global fleet since 2012, and incorporated a number of specific modifications

The table is designed for a four-seat club grouping and provides a 31.5" x 41.5" main tabletop surface with folding leaves. An additional built-in sliding feature allows for a 14.25" panel to be added to extend the tabletop across the aisle to reach passengers seated on the divan, in the two-place seating or the credenza. To complement the interior of the aircraft the pedestal shrouds, which are normally plated, have a faux wood grain finish achieved by water-transfer printing. The finishing touches to the table surface will be completed by Flying Colours to coordinate with the other cabinetry on the aircraft.

"MSB is excited to have the opportunity of providing this first Hi-Lo conference table to Flying Colours. We recognize the expertise of their business and know that our own technical experts will meet the high standards expected. This project requires unique design modifications and certification which we are pleased to undertake as we anticipate further orders for this style of



product," said Shannon Gill, managing director MSB Aerospace.

"Our support for the Global family continues to strengthen, and MSB's focus on creating quality, customized precision engineered products is a good match for this aircraft type. Our own cabinet makers are capable of producing an infinite selection of cabin monuments but we have chosen to work with MSB on these very specific, intricately engineered tables as they have a significant amount of experience in designing and creating the complex mechanisms required for durable and stylish Hi-Lo tables," said Eric Gillespie, executive VP Flying Colours Corp.

MSB's versatile single pedestal tables combine sleek design with functionality and robustness and can be used as coffee, conference, or dining tables, as well as work desks. MSB also makes an electric version featuring integrated Bluetooth technology, which enables operational access from anywhere in the cabin to raise and lower the surface according to the passengers' needs. Clients can also opt for dual or quadruple pedestals depending on cabin size, along with oval or round shrouds converting the existing square shape, into an elegant curved finish. MSB Aerospace in Savannah produces Hi-Lo tables as well as crystal, china and flatware inserts specifically designed to safely stow valuables during all phases of flight. The bespoke CCF inserts not only safeguard china, crystal and flatware but protect the increasing number of artwork and precious objet d'art which decorate the jet cabins.

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# TEAM ORACLE OVER THE STATUE OF LIBERTY



Sean D. Tucker and Jessy Panzer, Team Oracle.

partnering with OEM's and modifiers all over the EAA grounds to display state of the art propellers for Cubcrafters, American Champion, Aviat, Blackhawk, Texas Turbines, Wipaire, and many others.

During EAA week, the Hartzell Propeller exhibit will also feature an American Champion Aircraft Super Decathlon with the two-blade carbon fiber Trailblazer propeller, as well as Rodney Jarrell's custom patriotic Vans RV10, named Liberty. It salutes veterans from all the U.S. military services and features a patriotic livery celebrating the nation's military services.

## Technical Talks

During AirVenture 2019, Hartzell's professional propeller experts will conduct informative Tech Talks at the company booth. The presentations will cover several useful topics related to propellers. EAA Pilot Proficiency Center EAA's Pilot Proficiency Center, which Hartzell is co-sponsoring, is promoting, showcasing and encouraging the use of multiple tools and programs to stay engaged in a year-round activity to advance proficiency and skill in general aviation. Guests to the center will be able to gauge their instrument proficiency, learn tips and tricks from the experts, learn about the latest advancements in technology, and learn about many programs and tools available to them year-round. Located on the Four Corners, this center is a focal point for pilots of all skill levels, even beginners. It features 14 Redbird LD flight simulators with instructors featuring scenarios for IFR and VFR proficiency.

## Aerial Shows, Aviation Celebrities, Tech Talks Highlight Hartzell Propeller at EAA 2019

Piqua, Ohio, July 9, 2019 - Hartzell Propeller's profile at the 2019 EAA AirVenture, to be held July 22-29 in Oshkosh, Wis., features multiple aviation celebrities, a number of exhilarating air show performances and technical presentations, in addition to the world's best propeller specialists.

"Hartzell Propeller's strong lineup at the 2019 EAA AirVenture reflects our position as the world's leading propeller designer and builder," said company Executive Vice President and General Manager JJ Frigge. "Every year our team looks forward to being deeply involved in the largest gathering in the world of true

aviators. "

"This year, Hartzell Propeller will once again be at the forefront of the world's greatest adventure for flying enthusiasts," said company president Joe Brown, who serves on the board of EAA. "We look forward to being a part of AirVenture and surrounded by people who just love to fly."

Aviation Celebrities & Aerial Feats

Hartzell will once again be at the center of the Airventure action by sponsoring several aerobatic flying demonstrations, as well as co-sponsoring a growing Pilot Proficiency Center. The

lineup cosponsored by Hartzell Propeller includes some of the world's greatest aerobatic performers. Aviation superstars Sean D. Tucker and Jessy Panzer, Michael Goulian, Matt Chapman, and John Klatt and Jack Link's Screaming Sasquatch, Bill Stein, and Jim Pietz will perform during the afternoon air shows and Redline Airshows will provide some nighttime flying. In addition, some of these aviation celebrities will be holding meet and greet autograph sessions with their aircraft at Hartzell Propeller's exhibit.

On Exhibit

At its exhibit, Booth 296-297

in the Main Aircraft Display Area next to the EAA AirVenture Welcome Center, Hartzell will exhibit a range of two-blade to five-blade constant speed aluminum and structural composite propellers. On display will be Hartzell's 2-blade composite Trailblazer, 3-blade Bantam and Raptor applications, 4-blade aluminum and composite options, and 5-blade carbon fiber propellers for various aircraft models, including TBM, PC-12, Piper Meridian/M500/M600, and King Air 350.

Hartzell will be showcasing a Cessna A185F with a newly STC'd three-blade metal propeller, while



## Vertis Aviation App ramps up usage and adds new JetClass routes

Zug, Switzerland The newly launched Vertis Aviation App from the Switzerland-headquartered charter specialist has quickly gathered momentum with an active audience regularly using the app for charter requests. Since launch during EBACE in late May more than a hundred users have signed up from leading business aviation regions to take advantage of the easy to use interface which provides charter quotes, empty leg alerts and seat only booking options. Led by users from the U.S.A., where Vertis recently opened a new office in Boston, customers from Switzerland, the U.K., France and Germany have been regularly logging on to search for charters. Averaging a visit of once a week the initial trend is for ad-hoc charter requests, 10% of which have converted to fixed bookings, confirmed with the Vertis charter team. The Empty Leg Watchlist alert is proving popular with a significant number of European users signing up for the service which gives instant access to competitively priced charters on aircraft repositioning or returning



empty to its home base. The most popular alert so far has been for London to Ibiza flights. The ability to book individual executive jet seats with Austria-based JetClass is also stimulating interest as the Book Seat feature, unique to the Vertis Aviation App, enables users to join an existing business jet flight at rates competing with business class fares. Vertis has upped the number of JetClass routes available to App users since launch and is now offering seats on jets regularly flying between, Nice and Olbia, Nice and Zurich and Nice and Luxembourg. Seat only places are now available between these cities as well as routes serving Geneva and Milan. A year in the making, the App

has been welcomed by users for its intelligent application of digital technology to supplement personal service. "We have seen that customers still want the boutique characteristics of the company but are also valuing the convenience of being able to search for charter from their own mobile digital devices when it suits them," said Julian Burrell, Chairman of Vertis Aviation. "We continue to provide them with personal advice and recommendations and manage the charter with the same high levels of service as we have always done. The App is serving to make the whole process even more seamless and enhances the customer interaction with the business." The free Vertis Aviation App is available

## CANADA AND UNITED KINGDOM COMMIT TO MEDIA FREEDOM

London, United Kingdom - Global Affairs Canada A free press is the cornerstone of any liberal democracy. During the Paris Peace Forum in November 2018, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau highlighted that an international effort is needed to defend a free press, protect journalists, and ensure freedom of expression. The Prime Minister signed Reporters Without Borders' international declaration on information and democracy. This week, Canada continues to show its international commitment to the protection of media freedom as co-host of the first Global Conference for Media Freedom. Representatives from more than 100 countries today concluded the Global Conference in London, United Kingdom. During the two-day conference ministers, heads of international institutions, and more than 1000 members of the press, academics and civil society organizations addressed issues related to media freedom and its advancement and protection worldwide. Canada and the United Kingdom presented a Global Pledge on Media Freedom that commits like-minded countries to working together on identifying and acting on violations and abuses of the rights of members of the press. On World Press Freedom Day, Canada announced \$12 million for the organisation Journalists for Human Rights. Today Canada is announcing

another \$10 million annually to promote and protect democracy. This funding will focus on: supporting electoral processes; reinforcing democratic practices by combatting disinformation and strengthening civic engagement. An initial \$1 million will go to the new Global Media Defence Fund, housed at UNESCO. Also at the conference, the High Level Panel of Legal Experts on Media Freedom was launched, which includes the Honourable Irwin Cotler, former Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada. The Panel is mandated with providing advice and recommendations for legal and policy mechanisms to protect media freedom. Canada will host the second Global Conference for Media Freedom in 2020. Quotes "We need to defend our independent press—even, and perhaps especially, when it criticizes us—as a central institution of democracy. We need to fight for the open society, against the closed one. We need to fight for the complexity of democratic truth, rather than the beguiling simplicity of authoritarian rhetoric. That is what we have done at this conference and what we have committed to doing, with our likeminded partners, in the days ahead." - Hon. Chrystia Freeland, P.C., M.P., Minister of Foreign Affairs



### JEREMY OJERHOLM JOINS MERIDIAN AIR CHARTER

The Meridian are pleased to announce that Jeremy Ojerholm has joined Meridian Air Charter as a Charter Sales Executive.



### COMING EVENT

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# Indian Summer Festival: A Contemporary Multi-Arts Festival July 4 - 14, 2019

It's been an enthralling few days, with some of the world's greatest thinkers and an exciting new wave of artists pushing us to question, innovate, and re-frame our perspectives. We are still savouring the magic of the performances that we've experienced, and so much to look forward to in the next few days!

This very evening (July 10th), in The Beats in India Pulitzer-Prize nominee Deborah Baker, takes us on a journey through India with the most famous of the Beat Poets, Allen Ginsberg, and the effect that journey had on American counterculture (and on Vancouver). Later this evening five top-tier comedians perform 7 minute stand-up routines, before getting into an interactive exploration of the nature of humour, in Trigger Me This led by Richard Side, creator of the hit CBC show 'The Debaters' Friday the 12th sees two titans of music meet at the Chan Centre in Strings for Peace when one of India's greatest classical musicians, the sarod

maestro Ustad Amjad Ali Khan collaborates with three-time Grammy award-winning classical guitarist Sharon Isbin in a landmark concert. This is it's world premiere, making you the first audience to hear this legendary collaboration.

Saturday July 13th sees an entire day presents Hari Kondabolu, whom the New York Times calls "one of the world's most exciting political comics" at a near sold-out show at the Playhouse.

And that's not all – our PAUSE Pavilion plays host to a multitude of outdoor events, the Vancouver Art Gallery hosts an all-day ISF program.

Come join us in the star-studded final week of ISF 2019!



## THE BEATS IN INDIA, WITH DEBORAH BAKER, JULY 10

Pulitzer Prize nominee Deborah Baker takes us back to the moment when America's edgiest writers looked to India for answers as India looked to the West. In 1961 Allen Ginsberg, ecstatic sensualist and the voice of a generation, left New York by boat for Bombay.

The fifteen months he spent in India had a lasting influence on Ginsberg and on American counterculture. The trip not

only changed his life, it helped spawn generations of hippies, hipsters, writers, artists, rock-stars and soul-searchers. This is the story of a search for God, for love, and for peace in the shadow of the atomic bomb. It is also a story of India – its gods and its poets, its politics and its place in expanding the possibilities of the western consciousness.

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## TRIGGER ME THIS, JULY 10

From Richard Side, creator of the hit radio series The Debaters on CBC Radio One comes an entertaining new stage format that asks a panel of talented comedians and the audience to decide where jokes cross the line and go from being inoffensive to being off-putting and even toxic.

Trigger Me This showcases some of Canada's funniest people including Zarqa Nawaz, Sultana of the Sardonic and creator of the hit sitcom Little Mosque on the Prairie, Vancouver favourite Yumi Nagashima, and Canadian Comedy Awards nominee Darcy Michael with

Richard Side himself playing host. Indian Summer Festival and SFU Woodward's are pleased to collaborate with Richard Side to workshop and co-present the premiere of this format, making you the very first audience to ever experience it. The first half of the evening will follow a traditional stand-up format, the second half will poll the audience for comments and votes. Be part of the making of what is destined to become a new international entertainment format.

Co-presented with SFU Woodward's and Side Entertainment

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## HARI KONDABOLU, JULY 13

Hari Kondabolu returns to Vancouver after a history of sold-out shows with his trademark skillful blending of the personal and the political. Don't miss this chance to see one of the most exciting comic voices in the polished yet intimate setting of the Playhouse Theatre.

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## STRINGS FOR PEACE, JULY 12





## GOVERNMENTS OF CANADA AND MANITOBA SIGN 10-YEAR HOUSING AGREEMENT

WINNIPEG—Families, Indigenous communities and vulnerable Canadians in need of an affordable place to call home can count on long-term funding for community housing in Manitoba thanks to an agreement signed today by the federal and provincial governments.

Today in Winnipeg, Adam Vaughan, parliamentary secretary to the Minister of Families, Children and Social Development (Housing and Urban Affairs), on behalf of the Honourable Jean-Yves Duclos, Canada's Minister of Families, Children and Social Development and Minister Responsible for Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC), along with the Manitoba Families Minister Heather Stefanson, announced they have reached a bilateral agreement under the National Housing Strategy (NHS). This agreement, which will be cost-shared by the governments of Canada and Manitoba, demonstrates a joint commitment to prioritize affordable housing.

The 10-year agreement will invest almost \$450.8 million to protect, renew and expand social and community housing, and support Manitoba's priorities related to housing repair, construction and affordability. The governments of Canada and Manitoba will also work together on the design and implementation of a new Canada Housing Benefit for the province, to provide affordability support directly to families and individuals in housing need. The new agreement marks the beginning of a partnership that will be supported by long-term and predictable funding, starting immediately.

This is a progressive housing agreement that commits the governments of Canada and Manitoba to new and higher standards of transparency, public engagement and housing quality, including improved energy efficiency and

accessibility. The agreement also acknowledges the importance of prioritizing people most in need, incorporating a human rights-based approach to housing, and applying a gender lens to all investments.

### Quotes

"The Government of Canada is committed to ensuring that every Canadian has a safe and affordable place to call home. Long-term, predictable funding for housing has been needed for more than a decade. Today, with the Manitoba government, we have taken a significant step toward our goal of building strong communities where Canadian families can prosper and thrive, now and for the future. Our Government will continue working in partnership with Manitoba and other provinces and territories towards a 15 per cent expansion in new affordable housing units and renewing 20 per cent of existing community housing units across the country." – Adam Vaughan, parliamentary secretary to the Minister of Families, Children and Social Development (Housing and Urban Affairs)

"Accessible, affordable and quality housing options are a priority for our government because they are a priority for Manitobans. By signing this bilateral, we are committing to a decade of strategic investments that will make a difference in the lives of children, families, seniors, vulnerable people and many others. Manitoba is continuing on its path to become Canada's most improved province by working in partnership with the federal government and many other critical agencies and organizations who share our dedication to housing issues." – Manitoba Families Minister Heather Stefanson

## RISING RED RIVER LEVELS MAY CLOSE RIVER WALK AT THE FORKS

Manitoba Infrastructure's Hydrologic Forecast Centre has issued an advisory for the Red River, which is rising because of recent heavy rains. There will also be a temporary rise on the Assiniboine River

where it meets the Red. In the next four to five days, water is expected to cover the riverwalk at The Forks as a result. The Red River at James Avenue in Winnipeg is

expected to peak at approximately 10 to 12 feet between July 21 and 23. It is currently at 6.9 feet. Analysis of local rainfall amounts and other information from American forecasts suggest levels within the Red River valley from

Emerson to Ste. Agathe will rise by approximately 13 feet, depending on local flows and rainfall. These levels will be below the banks at all locations within the valley. Manitobans and visitors are reminded to be aware of conditions around waterways.

## Canada to welcome international community at Ukraine Reform Conference in Toronto

Ottawa, Ontario - Global Affairs Canada and its international partners stand with the people of Ukraine. From July 2 to 4, 2019, Canada and Ukraine will co-host the Ukraine Reform Conference in Toronto. This third international conference will bring together over 800 of Ukraine's friends and partners, including foreign ministers, heads of international institutions, parliamentarians, and members of the private sector, civil society and community members to support Ukraine's reform process. There will be 39 countries and seven international organizations represented in Toronto. The ministerial events will be held July 2. During the two next days, Ukraine House will host discussions on innovation, trade opportunities, democracy and reform in Ukraine. Ukraine House is a hub for private sector, civil society, government and international partners to connect, network and debate.

### Quotes

"I am delighted Canada is hosting the Ukraine Reform Conference in Toronto this year. This is an invaluable opportunity for Canada and the international community to demonstrate our support for

reform in Ukraine. Together, we will continue to work toward strengthening the rules-based international order and building the future the people of Ukraine deserve." – Hon. Chrystia Freeland, P.C., M.P., Minister of Foreign Affairs

**Quick facts**  
The first Ukraine Reform Conferences were held in London and Copenhagen in 2017 and 2018, respectively. Since January 2014, Canada has committed more than \$785 million in multi-faceted support to Ukraine, encompassing a broad range of financial, development, stabilization and security, non-lethal military and humanitarian assistance. Canada is taking a leading role in efforts to support Ukraine's security, stability and sovereignty. Canada's military training and capacity building mission in Ukraine, Operation UNIFIER, launched in September 2015, is a key part of Canada's overall effort. Canada is supporting democracy in Ukraine, including with long and short-term observers for the 2019 Presidential and Parliamentary elections. On December 2, 1991, Canada was the first Western country to recognize Ukraine's independence.

## Premier Ford and New Brunswick Premier Blaine Higgs Work Together to Make Life More Affordable for People

SASKATOON — Today, Ontario Premier Doug Ford and New Brunswick Premier Blaine Higgs released the following joint statement: "We're committed to tackling the issues that matter most to the people of Ontario and New Brunswick. We're united by our shared priorities of getting rid of interprovincial trade barriers, creating jobs and prosperity, and making life more affordable for people. We stand shoulder-to-shoulder with the workers and businesses in our provinces' forestry sectors. They play a

critical role in our economies. We know that fair and open trade is the best outcome for people and businesses on both sides of the border. That's why we continue to stand with our forestry sectors to fight unfair U.S. duties on softwood lumber. Ontario and New Brunswick remain committed to the fight against the federal government's job-killing policies, including the carbon tax and Bill C-69. New Brunswick continues to support Ontario's position that the federal carbon tax is an

unconstitutional, disguised tax on hard-working families and individuals. Ontario and New Brunswick further call on the federal government not to landlock the potential of nation-building projects like pipelines that will create thousands of jobs for Canadians and bring countless benefits to communities across the country. We will continue to work together closely to drive economic growth and create jobs and opportunity for the people of our two provinces."

## Helping Chicken Farmers Build and Strengthen Capacity

Governments to invest in strengthening emergency response for chicken industry in Ontario

TORONTO — The governments of Canada and Ontario are supporting a project that will build and strengthen the capacity for the chicken industry to effectively and humanely manage chickens in emergency situations. The governments have committed up to \$350,873 in cost-share funding to the Chicken Farmers of Ontario, working alongside the Ontario Broiler Hatching Egg and Chicken Commission and the Association of Ontario Chicken Processors under the Canadian Agricultural Partnership (the Partnership). This project will deliver a third-party service that ensures chickens are handled in a humane manner during emergency situations such as a disease outbreak or barn damage from fire or extreme weather. "The Government of Canada is committed to helping Canada's poultry sector proactively seek out new and innovative solutions to challenges faced by the industry," said Marie-Claude Bibeau, federal Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food. "Investing in emergency preparedness and management strategies helps support the Ontario poultry farmers in their efforts to raise healthy, productive and well-cared for animals and ensure a strong and sustainable path forward for the sector." "Emergency situations are a reality on farms. It's important to our government to make sure that if and when those emergencies happen, farmers have a system in place to humanely deal with the animals involved," said Ernie Hardeman, Ontario Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural





## FIFA eWorld Cup 2019 to return to London on 2 - 4 August

FIFA has announced today that the FIFA eWorld Cup™ will return to London later this year, confirming that this season's pinnacle event will once again take place at The O2 from 2 to 4 August 2019. Having already played host to last year's final, which saw Mosaad Aldossary crowned world champion, 32 of the world's best EA SPORTS FIFA 19 players will compete once more at The O2. They will battle it out to become the

FIFA eWorld Cup champion and to win a life-changing USD 250,000 in prize money, along with a trip to The Best FIFA Football Awards™. As a further indication of the growing interest in competitive FIFA, the total prize money for the FIFA eWorld Cup has also been increased compared to last year's final, and a total of USD 500,000 will be distributed among the 32 competitors.



## NBA, FIBA and Senegalese Basketball Federation to host 17th edition of Basketball Without Borders Africa in Senegal



World Rugby has published details of its 2018 anti-doping programme as the international federation continues to prioritise values-based education and intelligent, risk-based testing. The programme, overseen by its expert Anti-Doping Advisory Committee, saw World Rugby further its commitment to utilising all available tools for effective testing and analysis, while focusing on understanding rugby doping motivations and pitfalls and mitigating risk via innovative and effective

influencer education and values promotion. Intelligent, risk-based testing The 2018 testing programme comprised 2,236 tests at men's and women's sevens and 15s international representative level, and is run in partnership with unions, national and regional anti-doping organisations, with 66 per cent conducted out of competition in line with the international federation's intelligence and risk-based approach in elite rugby.

## Canada's men qualify for Tokyo 2020



Number one seeds Canada justified their favourites tag in the Rugby Americas North (RAN) Sevens men's competition as they completed an unbeaten two days in George Town in the Cayman Islands on 6-7 July with a 40-5 win over Jamaica in the final.

Determined to join their female counterparts at Tokyo 2020, Canada put on a clinical display to see off a Jamaican side that still has another chance to qualify via next year's Olympic Repechage tournament. That route is also still open to Mexico who finished in third place.

## France stun world champions New Zealand in Women's Rugby Super Series



An inspired performance by France saw them beat world champions New Zealand, leaving England as the only unbeaten team in the Women's Rugby Super Series 2019 after they edged a titanic battle with Canada on matchday three. France caused the upset of the Women's Rugby Super Series 2019 so far with an impressive 25-16 defeat of world

champions New Zealand in San Diego on Saturday. Les Bleues had been well-beaten by Canada in their first match on Tuesday, but inspired by World Rugby Women's 15s Player of the Year 2018 Jessy Trémoulière, centre Maelle Filopon and scrum-half Pauline Bourdon they overcame New Zealand at the Chula Vista Training Center.

Affairs. "We're pleased to be able to help Ontario's chicken farmers strengthen their capacity to manage emergencies by supporting this project through the Canadian Agricultural Partnership." "Our industry is committed to the highest standards of animal welfare. This innovative, collaborative, industry-led service will strengthen our effective risk management strategies and further enhance animal care," said Ed Benjamins, Chair of Chicken Farmers of Ontario. "We thank Minister Hardeman and Minister Bibeau for this support and partnership as we work together to enhance our emergency response services, and continuously improve biosecurity and animal welfare on our farms and throughout our industry." This project falls under the Protection and Assurance stream of the Partnership, which supports livestock and poultry farmers in Ontario to be competitive, productive and profitable while managing animal health and food safety risks.

## Premier Doug Ford Recognizes Saskatchewan for Supporting Vulnerable Residents in Wildfire Emergency

## Ontario Premier Doug Ford and Québec Premier François Legault Reaffirm Strong Economic Partnership

## Guelph Welcomes Canada's Agriculture Community for 2020 Conference

## Government Launches Effort to Strengthen Math Skills & Improve Job Prospects

## Government announces new board chair and directors for Asia Pacific Foundation of Canada



## FIBA and Genius Sports announce long-term extension of historic technology partnership



FIBA, the world governing body of basketball, and Genius Sports, a global leader in sports data, technology and integrity services, today announced a long-term renewal of their landmark partnership. Since 2004, FIBA and Genius Sports have worked closely together to develop and deploy ground-breaking technology that has transformed the data and digital infrastructure of over 200 basketball leagues and federations worldwide. This partnership will further support the adoption of essential solutions such as

FIBA Organizer, a digital competition management tool, and FIBA LiveStats, the foremost play-by-play data collection system, operated at courtside across more than 85,000 games annually around the world. FIBA LiveStats will enhance the capture and distribution of split-second statistics to enrich the live fan experience for basketball audiences globally as well as deliver new commercial opportunities for the sport. This includes across league and federations' official websites, mobile apps, social media, broadcast, OTT and

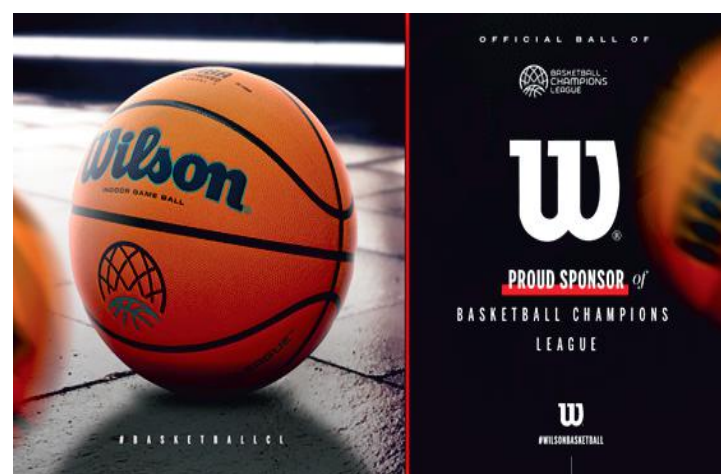
highlights platforms, fantasy sports, sponsors and in-stadia scoreboards. As part of their commitment to eradicating data piracy, both parties will also work closely to prevent the collection of unofficial data from FIBA events. Prohibiting the collection and distribution of unofficial feeds will provide leagues and national federations with optimum control and visibility over their data, maintaining its commercial value and strengthening the integrity of their competitions from betting-related corruption.

FIBA Secretary General Andreas Zagklis said: "We are very pleased to continue this long-term and unique relationship with Genius Sports. We have been working together for more than 15 years to develop and offer state-of-the-art digital tools for national federations and leagues. Thanks to this renewal, we will continue the joint efforts in creating innovative tools and make sure that our sport is even more attractive to fans around the world." Mark Locke, CEO of Genius Sports Group, said: "The Genius Sports and FIBA partnership has been one of the most influential and innovative in sports technology. Together, we've powered over 500,000 games from courtside in over 150 countries and engaged more than 25 million fans.



"But, this renewal is as much about the future as our achievements to date, and we're excited to introduce a number of cutting-edge innovations later this year, driving the next stage of digital transformation and data analytics for leagues and

federations at all levels of basketball." Photo- "Steven Burton, Genius Sports Managing Director; Mark Locke, Genius Sports CEO, Andreas Zagklis, FIBA Secretary General; Florian Wanninger, IBF Director



## BASKETBALL CHAMPIONS LEAGUE AND WILSON SPORTING GOODS ANNOUNCE MULTI-YEAR PARTNERSHIP



## ROWING'S TITANS FACE OFF AT WORLD ROWING CUP III



## Innovation is the key topic on the IFRA/DCX Conference Stage