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## Countdown is on to Aviation Climate Measure

LAS VEGAS, NV – 9 October 2017 – Some business aircraft operators should start preparing for the Carbon Offsetting and Reduction Scheme for International Aviation (CORSA) agreed at the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) one year ago, announced the International Business Aviation Council (IBAC) on the eve of the NBAA Business Aviation Convention and Exhibition. IBAC will offer “Countdown to CORSA” checklists as an initial primer at the show to help potentially affected operators prepare for the scheme (Stand C 9451).

The CORSA is designed to offset the growth in carbon dioxide emissions from international aviation after 2020. The first six years of the scheme, negotiated by governments and supported by the industry, will be voluntary for States to join. So far 72 States have volunteered. Only routes between these States shall be covered. In later years, it will be mandatory for all but the smallest aviation markets.

“CORSA is the single, global market-based measure that is simple and supported by industry,” said Kurt Edwards, Director General of IBAC. “Yet not many operators that may be covered are aware of the system’s two central components: monitoring fuel burn—and therefore emissions—and offsetting emissions growth. Covered operators will begin monitoring and reporting international fuel use to their governments from January 2019.”

IBAC, working with its member associations such as NBAA and EBAA, as well as with the Air Transport Action Group and the International Air Transport Association, will undertake a number of awareness-building activities, such as regional workshops and presentations at various business aviation events in early 2018.

“First, operators must determine whether they will have to participate in CORSA,” said Edwards. “Governments recognized the need for administrative simplicity and established a number of exemptions for small operators. Operators with fewer than 10,000 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in international flying will not participate. Nor will international flights by aircraft under 5,700 kg or humanitarian flights be counted.”

For more information on CORSA, operators and flight support organizations are encouraged to consult IBAC’s Web site at [www.ibac.org](http://www.ibac.org) and to sign up for email updates at [corcia@ibac.org](mailto:corcia@ibac.org).

To pick up a Countdown to CORSA checklist, please stop by IBAC’s stand (C 9451) at the NBAA Business Aviation Convention and Exhibition in Las Vegas, Nevada, from 10 to 12 October 2017.

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