

Keynote Vision Theater Sponsored by Booz Allen

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empowerHER Kickoff - Booz Allen Keynote Vision Arena

1:00 - 1:10 PM

Opening - Booz Allen Keynote Vision Arena

Carey Fagan, ATCA President & CEO

1:10 - 2:10 PM

Keynote Speaker - Booz Allen Keynote Vision Arena

Speaker - Jen Dalton (Founder, BrandMirror)

Launch Your Leadership Brand & Invest in Your Personal Growth Sponsored by CSSI

Now more than ever, it is critical to be top of mind and not out of sight, out of mind. As leaders and executives, it is key to understand your brand and how to build a reputation of credibility and value identifying our strengths and what is unique about each person's leadership style is important when mapping your career options and paths.

In this session, learn how to define your strengths, what makes you stand out, and how to utilize those insights in mapping out your career and professional development path.

Key Takeaways Include:

- · How to define your leadership brand in a clear and confident way
- Brief examples of attendees personal brands, their goals, and how they could increase their visibility and impact in intentional ways
- · Learn how to communicate your value and create new growth and development opportunities at work and beyond

2:10 - 2:20 PM Transition to Workshops



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Workshops Sessions

2:20 - 3:05 PM

Workshop: Young Professionals Workshop: Your Flight Path to

Navigating the Aviation Industry

Workshop: Understanding Your Team Through Journey Mapping

Workshop: The Extra Mile: How Small Efforts Lead to Big Impacts

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3:05 - 3:15 PM

Transition to Booz Allen Keynote Vision Arena

3:15 - 4:00 PM

Panel: Future-Proofing Aviation: Turning the Women in Aviation Advisory Board (WIAAB) Recommendations into Reality

Amy Spowart - National Aeronautic Association, President & CEO Lauren Haertlein - Deputy General Counsel, Policy & Regulatory, Joby Aviation

Angela McCullough - Deputy Executive Director of the FAA UAS Integration Office

Kristine O'Brien – Vice President, Global Government Affairs, Airlines for America

Moderator - Kate Fraser - Senior Associate, Booz Allen

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The aviation industry's sustainability depends on a diverse workforce. The panel will discuss how diversity in hiring enhances innovation, drives technological advancements, and positions companies to respond to future challenges effectively. It will also discuss how hiring a diverse workforce is essential to future-proofing the sector while addressing the challenges and opportunities in promoting gender diversity and inclusivity, examining the tangible benefits of having a broad range of perspectives, particularly in leadership positions. Panelists will highlight strategies to foster meaningful, lasting cultural changes within the aviation workforce, ensuring that diversity is not only embraced but also actively cultivated. They will also share their personal experiences and insights into navigating leadership roles in a traditionally male-dominated industry and discuss the importance of mentorship, policy changes, and initiatives aimed at supporting women's career advancement in aviation.

empowerHER / Conference Opening Reception – Exhibit Hall

4:00 - 5:30 PM

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8:00 - 8:45 AM

Breakfast w/Exhibitors - Exhibit Hall

8:45 - 9:00 AM

Welcoming Remarks – Booz Allen Keynote Vision Arena

Carey Fagan - ATCA President and CEO

9:00 - 9:15 AM

Keynote Speaker – Booz Allen Keynote Vision Arena

Speaker: Katie Thomson, Deputy FAA Administrator

9:15 - 10:00 AM

BREAK w/Exhibitors and VIP Tours

9:35 - 9:55 AM

Innovation Theater

Frequentis' Open Digital Platform Initiative – Paving the Way for the Info-Centric NAS

Presented by Frequentis

10:00 -10:45 AM Panel: Shaping Aviation's Future: Global Perspectives on Aviation Challenges and Opportunities

Simon Hocquard - Director General, CANSO

Michele Merkle - Director, Air Navigation Bureau at ICAO

Peter Cerda - Regional Vice President, The Americas, IATA

Moderator - Don Thoma - Chief Executive Office, Aireon

In an era of unprecedented change and innovation, the aviation industry faces a multitude of high-level challenges and opportunities that will shape its future. This international panel brings together esteemed representatives from CANSO, ICAO, and IATA to provide a global perspective on the most pressing issues in aviation today.

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Join us as we delve into the integration of new entrants such as drones and commercial space vehicles into our airspace, explore strategies to address air traffic control staffing shortages, and discuss the overarching global view of the industry's future. This session will offer invaluable insights into how these pivotal topics are being managed on an international scale, fostering a collaborative approach to navigating the complexities of tomorrow's skies.

10:45 - 11:05 AM
Innovation Theater

Unlocking the Future: IT Modernization Across FAA Enterprises

Presented by Booz Allen

11:10 - 11:30 AM
Innovation Theater

From Legacy to Leading Edge: Navigating Cyber Threats in the Interconnected NAS

Presented by Noblis

11:35 AM -

Panel: Post-Election Outlook: Where Do We Stand and Where are We Going?

Sharon Pinkerton, Senior Vice President of Regulatory and Legislative Policy, Airlines for America

Heideh Shahmoradi, Partner, O'Keeffe Shahmoradi Strategies **Mike Reynolds,** Senior Public Policy Advisor, Baker Donelson **Jose Ceballos,** Principal, S-3 Group

Moderator – **Paul Feldman**, Vice President, Government Affairs, GAMA

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As the aviation industry anticipates potential changes stemming from the 2024 election, this panel will bring together experts, policymakers, and analysts to explore the possible implications for aviation policy and the broader industry. While election results may still be pending, we'll provide insights on how shifts in political power could influence funding priorities, regulatory frameworks, and economic conditions.

This session is designed to prepare industry leaders for strategic engagement in the post-election landscape, offering guidance on navigating political uncertainties that could shape the future of aviation.

12:20 - 1:05 PM

Lunch

12:20 – 12:40 PM Innovation Theater Bridging the Digital Divide: Verizon Public Sector and the FAA on Powering the Future of Aviation through Workforce Transformation

Presented by Verizon

12:45 - 1:05 PM Innovation Theater

Agile Meets Aviation: Can We Ensure Safety in the Age of Innovation?

Presented by Frequentis

1:05 - 1:50 PM

FAA Reauthorization: Charting the Path Forward

Randa Hayes, VP, Flight Program Operations

Tash Durkins, Executive Director, Aviation Policy and Plans **Lauren Dudley**, Assistant Administrator for Government & Industry Affairs

Moderator - **Hillary Heintz**, Chief of Staff, Office of Government and Industry Affairs

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The FAA Reauthorization Bill is a critical piece of legislation that will shape the future of aviation in the United States. In this panel, experts from the FAA and key stakeholders will discuss the implications of the latest reauthorization, focusing on how it will impact the industry, from funding priorities to regulatory changes. Attendees will gain a deeper understanding of the reauthorization process, the key provisions included in the bill, and the strategic directions the FAA is taking as a result. This session will also explore how the reauthorization will affect various aspects of the aviation sector, including safety, innovation, infrastructure, and workforce development. Whether you're an industry leader, policymaker, or aviation enthusiast, this panel will provide valuable insights into the path forward for the FAA and the entire aviation community.

1:55 - 2:40 PM

Aviation Leaders Live: An In-Depth Conversation

Carey Fagan, ATCA President and CEO **Tim Arel,** FAA Air Traffic Organization, COO

2:40 - 3:25 PM

BREAK with Exhibitors / VIP Tours

2:40 – 3:00 PM Innovation Theater Future-Ready Leadership: Up-Skilling, and Re-Planning Your Workforce

Presented by Evans Consulting

3:00 - 3:20 PM Innovation Theater

How to Open Military Airspace? Create Value for All Stakeholders

Presented by Airspace Data

3:20 - 4:05 PM

Panel - FAA Small Business Focus

Marvin Poindexter, Director of Acquisition δ Business Services **Malcolm Andrews**, Director, Facilities δ Engineering Services **Jake Lewis**, Director, Acquisition Policy and Oversight

Moderator – **Katrina Hall**, Deputy Chief Operating Officer NAS Programs and Support

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Small businesses are the backbone of innovation and economic growth, but navigating the world of federal acquisitions can be daunting without the right resources. In this panel, the FAA will shine a spotlight on its commitment to supporting small businesses in the aviation sector. Join FAA experts as they discuss the specific strategies, programs, and resources available to help small businesses successfully engage with the FAA.

This session will provide practical guidance on how to overcome common challenges, access opportunities, and leverage the FAA's support to compete effectively in the federal marketplace. Whether you're a small business looking to enter the aviation industry or expand your current operations, this panel will equip you with the insights and tools needed to thrive in partnership with the FAA.

4:10 - 4:55 PM

Panel: Tackling Today's Aviation Safety Issues

Trish Gilbert, Former NATCA Executive Vice President **Dave Boulter**, FAA Associate Administrator for Aviation Safety **Jason Ambrosi**, ALPA President

Tim Arel, FAA Air Traffic Organization, Chief Operating Officer Moderator – **Chris Rocheleau**, Chief Operating Officer, NBAA

Recent incidents in aviation have brought safety concerns to the forefront, highlighting the urgent need for effective strategies and solutions. This panel brings together leading experts from the FAA and the FAA Independent Aviation Safety Review Team to discuss the pressing safety issues facing the aviation industry today.

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We will explore the root causes of recent close calls at airports, identify key risk factors, and examine best practices for enhancing safety measures in air traffic control and the operation. Our panelists will provide a thorough analysis of current safety protocols and share innovative recommendations to mitigate risks and prevent future incidents. Join us for an in-depth discussion on how the aviation industry can adapt and evolve to ensure the highest standards of safety, fostering a safer future for all who take to the skies.

5:00 - 5:30 PM

ATCA Awards - Booz Allen Keynote Vision Arena

5:30 - 6:30 PM

ATCA Awards / Exhibit Hall Reception - Exhibit Hall

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8:00 - 9:00 AM

Breakfast w/Exhibitors

8:00 - 8:45 AM

Membership Meeting (Room 207A)

9:00 AM

Day 2 Opening - Booz Allen Keynote Vision Arena

9:00 - 9:30 AM

Panel: Building the Future of Aviation: Education and Recruitment

Michael McCormick, Ph.D. Associate Professor & Program Coordinator, Air Traffic Management, Embry-Riddle University

Domenic Proscia, Vice President of Training, Vaughn College

Moderator – **Amy Parish**, Vice President, North America Programs, UFA

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As the aviation industry continues to grow, the need to engage and prepare the next generation of aviation professionals has never been more crucial. This fireside chat with leaders from Vaughn College and Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University will explore innovative strategies for promoting aviation careers to new generations.

Join us as we discuss the newly approved enhanced ATC-CTI program, cutting-edge training initiatives incorporating AI, and how technology can better equip college graduates for success in the workforce. The conversation will also dive into fresh approaches to recruitment and engagement, focusing on doing things differently—and better—to build the future of aviation.

9:30 - 10:45 AM

Panel: Tomorrow's Airspace, TODAY

Bob Pearce, Associate Administrator for NASA ARMD

Kelvin Coleman, Associate Administrator for Commercial Space Transportation

Michael Robbins, President & Chief Executive Officer, AUVSI

Major General F. William Radiff, Director of NORAD Operations
Stove Magriceau VP of International Regulatory and Policy

Steve Morrissey, VP of International Regulatory and Policy, United Airlines

Moderator – **Jessica Sypniewski**, Deputy Assistant Administrator for NextGen, FAA



As the aviation industry evolves, integrating new technologies into our existing airspace presents critical challenges, particularly with more commercial and emerging operators entering the landscape. Now, more than ever, adapting our airspace to support these entrants is essential. This panel brings together visionary leaders from the FAA, NASA, DOD, AUVSI, and commercial aviation to discuss strategies for building and managing tomorrow's airspace today.

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Our panelists will explore the constraints of the current system, focusing on the integration of new technologies like commercial space vehicles and eVTOLs, as well as sustainable funding models to support airspace modernization. With insights from the commercial airline industry on operational impacts and funding needs, we will dive into collaborative approaches to enhance safety, efficiency, and capacity for future growth. Join us for a roadmap to navigating the challenges and opportunities in tomorrow's airspace, embracing cuttingedge technology and a shared vision for the future of aviation.

10:45 - 11:15 AM

Break w/Exhibitors and VIP Tours - Exhibit Hall

10:50 - 11:10 AM

Innovation Theater

Smart Skies: Redefining Air Traffic Management with Advanced Decision Support and AI-Driven Insights

Presented by Noblis

11:15 AM - 12:30 PM

Workshop Sessions

Workshop: FAA International Strategy Workshop: FAA Data Transformation

Workshop: Cleared for Takeoff: Integrating eVTOLs into the

National Airspace

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11:15 - 11:35 AM

Innovation Theater

Accelerated Drone Management: Unlocking Opportunities in a Modern Airspace

Presented by Frequentis

11:40 – 12:00 PM Innovation Theater Modern AI Driven Software Development and Modernization

Presented by GitLab Inc.

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12:30 - 1:30 PM

Lunch

12:30 - 12:50 PM
Innovation Theater

Sponsor / Exhibitor Session

Presented by OPEN

12:55 - 1:15PM Innovation Theater Tackling Today's Aviation Cyber Challenges

Presented by LS Technologies (LST) and Objective Area Solutions (OAS)

1:30 - 2:15 PM

Panel: FAA's Procurement Strategies

Katrina Hall, Deputy Chief Operating Officer NAS Programs and Support

Amy Gusky, Acting Deputy Vice President, Program Management Organization

Mark Teskey, Assistant Chief Counsel Acquisition & Fiscal Law Dave Rickard, Deputy Assistant Administrator & CFO

Moderator – **Nathan Tash**, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Acquisitions and Business Services

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The FAA's procurement strategy is a critical component of its mission to ensure the safety and efficiency of the national airspace system. In this panel, key representatives from the FAA will provide an in-depth look at their procurement goals and strategies, highlighting recent changes and future directions.

This session will also cover the evolving landscape of FAA procurement, with practical advice on how industry partners can adapt to meet new requirements and expectations. Whether you're a seasoned contractor or new to working with the FAA, this panel will equip you with the knowledge and tools needed to navigate the FAA's procurement process effectively.

2:15 - 3:00 PM

Panel: Industry Perspective: Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Federal Acquisitions

Rachel Jackson, Director, Strategy and Customer Engagement, RTX

Todd Donovan, Vice President, Digital Aviation — Air Traffic Management, Thales

Kelly Caccetta, CEO and President, CSSI

Avis Dillard-Bullock, COO and Senior Vice President JMA Solutions

Moderator – **Jim Eck**, Vice President for Strategy and Business Development, L3Harris

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Understanding the challenges and processes that industry partners face during the government acquisition process is crucial for fostering effective collaboration. This panel is designed to educate on the complexities that companies encounter when bidding on projects, including the impact of midprocess changes and the significant resources required to compete in the federal marketplace. Industry experts will provide an inside look at the financial, logistical, and strategic hurdles they must navigate to meet government requirements and secure contracts.

Join us to gain a deeper appreciation of the industry's perspective on government acquisitions, not just within the FAA, but across the broader federal landscape. This session will offer invaluable insights into how industry manages these challenges and the investments made during the process.

3:00 - 3:30 PM

BREAK w/Exhibitors and VIP Tours - Exhibit Hall

3:05 - 4:00 PM Innovation Theater

On Course: Understanding Air Traffic Control

Presented by Rinaldi Consultants / ATCA

3:30 - 4:15 PM

Workshop Sessions

Workshop: Modern Capability Development and Acquisition: Success and Learnings from Across the Federal Government

Workshop: FAA Budget...A Deeper Dive

Workshop: Path to Net Zero: Building a Sustainable Future in Aviation

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4:30 PM

Exhibit Hall Closes

6:00 - 9:00 PM

Glen A. Gilbert Awards Soirée – Honoring 2024 Award Winner and Airlines for America President and CEO, Nick Calio

Location: Marriott Marquis, Independence Ballroom

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Young
Professionals
Workshop: Your
Flight Path to
Navigating the
Aviation Industry

Kate Fraser, Senior Associate, Booz Allen Moranda Reilly, Senior Project Leader, L3 Harris Chris Wilbanks, Deputy Vice President (A), Safety and Technical Training, FAA

Workshop Description: Join Kate Fraser, Booz Allen Hamilton and Moranda Reilly, L3 Harris, for an engaging workshop tailored to young professionals seeking to define their career path in the aviation industry. Discover the wide range of opportunities in aviation, learn to craft your personal mission statement, and understand the value of mentorship and peer relationships. This session will equip you with the tools and insights needed to confidently navigate your future career.

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Understanding
Your Team
through Journey
Mapping

Courtney Wells, Principal of Creative Strategy and Experience, Evans Consulting **Ellesse Krall**, Principal, Communications, Evans Consulting

Workshop Description: Unlock the capacity to understand your teammates at empowHER! Join an interactive Journey Mapping Workshop to gain deeper insights into your customers' and stakeholders' needs and emotions. By identifying where your team stands, you can identify friction points and address them. This hands—on session will equip you with a methodology to create more user—centered products and services. Don't miss this opportunity to enhance your design thinking skills and connect with like—minded professionals. Reserve your spot today and transform the way you understand and engage with your audience!

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The Extra Mile:
How Small Efforts
Lead to Big
Impacts

Kelly Richardson, Vice President of Marketing and Strategic Planning, Rinaldi Consultants

Workshop Description: This interactive workshop is designed to inspire you to take that extra step in both personal and professional interactions. By creating the habit of going beyond what's expected—whether it's asking an extra question, giving a bit more time, or offering unexpected support—you'll learn how small efforts can lead to profound changes in your relationships.

We'll explore how these small, thoughtful actions can build trust, strengthen connections, and leave a lasting impact on those around you. Through practical examples and group discussions, you'll discover how to create this powerful habit and make a big difference in your own life and the lives of others. Join us to see how the little things truly matter and can transform the way you connect and collaborate with others.

FAA International Strategy Mel Cintron, FAA Director for Western Hemisphere Coleen Hawrysko, FAA Director for Africa, Europe, and Middle East Ian Ross, FAA Director, ICAO & International Training Programs (APT) Riley Downing, FAA Manager for Asia Pacific

Moderator - **David Burkholder**, FAA Deputy Director of International Affairs Workshop Description: Aerospace fundamentally redefines geographic boundaries, generates economic opportunities, and connects people and cultures in new ways through our imagination and innovation. This is why global engagement and collaboration is critical and continues to be a strategic priority for the FAA. Global aviation safety is inherent within the FAA mission — to provide the safest, most efficient aerospace system in the world. By working collaboratively with aviation authorities, service providers, international organizations, and industry around the world, the FAA strives to meet the traveling public's expectations for the highest levels of aviation safety regardless of their destination. To support its strong international agenda, the FAA has an overseas network of Regional Directors and Senior Representatives. Join us for a discussion that will look at overall FAA international strategic focus areas and dive deeper into regional initiatives and partnerships to advance safety, efficiency, innovation, and sustainability.

FAA Data
Transformation

Marseta Dill, FAA Acting Chief Data Officer

Michael Yort, Procurement Officer (Project Contracting Officer)

Joe Bello, Computer Scientist, AJI-3 (ATO Representative)

Scott LeMay, Director, Safety Data and Analytics Division (AVS Representative)

Moderator - **Chris Foster**, Manager, Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) IT Programs Division (Project Lead)

Workshop Description: This panel will explore the Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) data transformation initiatives and their potential to revolutionize aviation safety. As the aviation industry becomes more complex, the FAA is leveraging modern data analytics to enhance decision-making and risk management. Panelists will discuss how the transition to more dynamic and accessible data systems can improve safety measures and streamline compliance. Through expert insights, this session will highlight how cutting-edge data strategies are driving safer skies. Attendees will gain a deeper understanding of how the FAA's evolving data infrastructure supports proactive risk mitigation and continuous safety improvements across the national airspace system (NAS).

Cleared for Takeoff: Integrating eVTOLs into the National Airspace Lynda Tran, Senior Advisor, Government Relations, Archer Aviation Inc Christabelle Bosson, PhD – Staff Airspace Engineer, Joby

Wendy O'Conner, Executive Director of FAA AAM Integration

Parimal Kopardekar, NASA Mission Integration Manager for the Advanced AIr Mobility (AAM) Mission

Moderator - Kate Fraser, Senior Associate, Booz Allen

Workshop Description: The future of aviation is rapidly approaching with the advent of electric vertical takeoff and landing (eVTOL) aircraft, poised to revolutionize urban mobility. As the U.S. takes significant steps toward incorporating these next-generation "flying taxis" into our skies, this workshop will explore the challenges and opportunities of integrating eVTOLs into the national airspace system.

We will discuss the implications of the recent FAA Reauthorization Bill, which directs the FAA to collaborate with eVTOL manufacturers, operators, and other stakeholders to foster the growth of advanced air mobility (AAM). Topics will include the FAA's priorities for type certification, the development of necessary regulations, and the broader impact of eVTOLs on existing airport infrastructure and air traffic management.

Join us for an in-depth examination of how the U.S. aims to become a global leader in AAM and what it will take to safely integrate eVTOLs into our transportation ecosystem. This session is essential for anyone interested in the future of urban air mobility and the evolution of our airspace.

Modern
Capability
Development
and
Acquisition:
Success and
Learnings
from Across
the Federal
Government

Leah Roberts, Acting Senior Procurement Executive, Office of the Director of National Intelligence

Akbar Sultan, Director, Airspace Operations and Safety Program (AOSP)

Moderator - **Dr. Emily Stelzer**, Managing Director, National Airspace System Evolution and Systems Engineering

Across the public and national security sectors, government agencies are examining new ways to acquire and rapidly deliver capabilities. Panelists across government will share insights about the successful acquisition and operationalization of data-informed and cloud-based solutions, methods for applying innovative acquisition and contracting strategies and solutions, and lessons learned through the process.

FAA Budget... A Deeper Dive **Rachel Milberg**, FAA, Deputy Chief Financial Officer **Joanne Snow**, FAA, Director, Operating Budget Division **Christiana Paul**, FAA, Director of Capital Budgets

This panel will provide a close look at the Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) budget process, breaking down the complexities of the Federal budgeting cycle and how that cycle affects the FAA and its funding decisions. The discussion will highlight how strategic funding enables the FAA to meet its mission in enhancing aviation safety, supporting technological innovation, and maintaining the National Airspace System (NAS). Attendees will gain insights into the challenges and opportunities in securing financial resources, balancing priorities, and ensuring long-term sustainability. By understanding the budget process, stakeholders can better navigate funding landscapes to support future growth and safety improvements in the aviation industry.

Path to Net
Zero: Building
a Sustainable
Future in
Aviation

Christabelle Bosson, PhD – Staff Airspace Engineer, Joby
Julie Marks, Executive Director of the Office of Environment & Energy, FAA
Kevin Welsh, Vice President of Environment and Chief Sustainability Officer, A4A
Cherie Wilson, Vice President of Government Affairs Sustainability, Delta Air Lines
Moderator – Carl Burleson, Burleson Aero Consulting LLC

As the world turns its attention to sustainability, the U.S. aviation industry is taking significant strides toward achieving carbon net zero. This workshop will bring together leaders from the FAA, airlines, and innovative companies like Joby to discuss the strategies and technologies driving the future of sustainable aviation.

Explore how the aviation industry is leading the charge with the development and deployment of sustainable aviation fuels (SAF), and learn about the pioneering efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions—despite airlines contributing only 2% to the U.S. total. We'll also delve into the exciting advancements in alternative propulsion systems, including the shift from electric to hydrogen-powered eVTOLs.

Join us to understand the collaborative efforts required to build a net-zero aviation system, the challenges ahead, and the innovative solutions being implemented to ensure a sustainable future for air travel. This session is essential for those committed to the environmental transformation of the aviation industry.