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Independent Consortium Enables Aviation Aftermarket Data Sharing

The Independent Data Consortium for Aviation (IDCA) has recently joined Yocova as an Enterprise member.

The IDCA has an important goal to pursue: Enable aviation stakeholders to collaborate seamlessly in value chains based on the exchange of data in a trustworthy, fair, and efficient manner to benefit themselves and the industry.

That's the vision of the founding members and leaders of the Independent Data Consortium for Aviation, a non-profit organization working on establishing governance policies to ensure that data can be shared with trust in a non-competitive manner. It is the IDCA's mission to achieve this through the development of standards, consensus-driven governance policies, and data exchange mechanisms.

IDCA membership is growing. To date, the consortium has more than two dozen Full and Associate members from all levels of the aviation industry: Aircraft- and components manufacturers, airline operators, and MROs.

"The aviation aftermarket desperately needs a way to share data that lives outside the walls of any one business," said IDCA board chair Jeff Smith, leader of Parker Aerospace Digital Product Programs. "Only by working together, aftermarket stakeholders can achieve gains at a scale that no single organization can achieve on its own", Smith said. Consortium members are currently developing consensus rules for parts tracking, Aircraft on Ground (AOG) servicing, and sharing data to investigate aircraft incidents and issues. More use cases are planned, such as: lease ownership transfer, preserving mandatory aircraft safety data in areas experiencing conflict, and sharing data to develop advanced system models.

Dr. Leon Gommans, Vice President of IDCA and Science Officer at Air France KLM, who has been working on enabling multi-organization collaboration for more than two decades, stated, "The key to organizations unlocking value through collaboration is the establishment of governance mechanisms for mutual trust." Leon's research has helped inspire the founding of IDCA.

IDCA comment

"We are delighted to join the Yocova platform and global community to raise awareness of the IDCA, and connect with members who may want to learn more about our consortium. This news coincides with the exciting launch of the IDCA at the beginning of the Paris Air Show, one of our industry's premier events."

Yocova comment

"It's fantastic news that IDCA has joined the Yocova community and is aligned to our vision of increasing collaboration and sharing knowledge and data in the aviation sector to efficiently reach a common solution. We are pleased that IDCA is now easily accessible for Yocova members to learn more about, and connect with the aviation industry at large."

About IDCA

The Independent Data Consortium for Aviation (IDCA) is exactly that; a global consortium of leading aviation companies at all levels of the industry coming together to develop the foundation for allowing data to be shared in a non-competitive manner. Its objective is to create a more efficient marketplace, where both waste and the time required to get to a common solution is minimized. Here are some examples of where sharing data would be critical for IDCA members:

- Parts tracking from birth to disposal

- Aircraft on Ground (AOG) servicing

- Lease ownership transfer

- Diagnosing technical problems common to all operators

- Preserving mandatory aircraft safety data even in areas experiencing conflict

Different IDCA teams are working on developing use cases related to these examples and we plan to publish issue papers as they become finalized.

Download IDCA uses cases or contact the consortium about membership.

Visit IDCA via their Yocova profile page or view their website.

For more information email: info@dataforaviation.org

About Yocova

Yocova (You Connect for Value) is an open, neutral digital platform and ecosystem for the aviation industry to collaborate, manage data, and access leading digital services from OEM partners and digital vendors.

It's an end-to-end platform for innovation: digital infrastructure and services to facilitate the exchange of ideas, data, and apps in aviation.

The platform is structured around the pillars of Community, Data Rooms, Marketplace, and Enterprise engagement:

- **Community:** the global aviation community on one open and trusted platform – connect and collaborate with aviation peers in public forums and private working groups

- **Data collaboration:** a decentralised, secure, and voluntary data API exchange giving you full control of who accesses your data to support your digital initiatives

- **Marketplace:** a trusted 'go to' aviation marketplace for digital transformation – find, try, buy, and deploy leading digital aviation apps, data API's solutions and services, or sell and manage your own through a global route-to-market

- **Enterprise engagement:** Yocova provides a single command and control platform through which to securely distribute, authenticate, and update all digital content across the customer community.

For OEM partners, Yocova provides a single command and control platform through which to securely distribute, authenticate, and update all digital content across the customer community. For OEM customers, a single entry-point for swift, efficient user access to all OEM digital content.

Yocova continues to pursue its growth strategy at pace with over 6,000 aviation professional members from across 425+ airlines and 840+ aviation enterprises extending across the aviation value chain, including but not limited to professionals and enterprises from airlines, business jet operators, digital/data vendors, through to airports, ANSPs and OEMs.

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