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Tuesday 15 January: Day 1	
1000 – 1300 hrs.	Aviation Technology & Innovation Showcase
1100 – 1230 hrs.	Flying for All - Inaugural Address by VVIPs

Air travel is growing quickly around the world, and with hundreds of millions of people joining the global middle class, this fast growth is likely to continue. ICAO predicts that global air travel will double by 2030, which requires a commensurate doubling of the entire aviation ecosystem. Aviation is being transformed along multiple dimensions. Flying is becoming more affordable, far-flung destinations are being connected with long-haul flights, smaller towns are being included in the aviation network, aviation equipment is becoming more technology-driven and diverse, and the entire ecosystem is becoming greener. VVIPs will outline how national ecosystems are evolving to meet these growth requirements.

1230 – 1400 hrs.	Lunch
1400 – 1515 hrs.	Connecting the World – Special Ministerial Plenary

Prominent transport ministers from across the world will share their experiences on strengthening national aviation ecosystems. They will share success stories and learnings emphasizing principles that apply across countries. Policy making approaches that balance market forces with the public interest will be highlighted. Ministers will also discuss how to ensure that safety and security standards are maintained across a fast-growing and vast aviation ecosystem.

1515 – 1545 hrs.	Tea
1545 Hrs.	Media Briefings
1545 – 1800 hrs.	G2G Meetings
1545 – 1700 hrs.	Building a Robust Drone Ecosystem – Plenary Session

Drones have multiple applications: many like basic surveillance, photography, or videos are already being used to transform daily work in some industries. Insurance companies are using drones to inspect damaged assets and farmers are sending them to monitor crops and collect soil data. Even more dramatic changes could be in store as innovators explore new uses, including drone-delivery services for retail stores and air taxis for commuters. This session will examine the future of drones with particular emphasis on technology, infrastructure, standards/regulations, safety, privacy, and public acceptance. India's new Drone 2.0 regulations will be presented.

1700 – 1800 hrs.	Innovations for Green Aviation – Plenary Session	
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Air transport has a tremendous impact on the environment and generates a significant carbon foot print. Innovative solutions are being evaluated for low-carbon technology, environmentally friendly materials, new aircraft systems and sustainable energy sources, smart technology, biofuels and others. The session will discuss how to attain sustainable growth and ensure a greener, cleaner, and quieter future for aviation.

1800 – 1900 hrs.	Cultural Program
1900 hrs. onwards	Networking Dinner

DAY 2: Wednesday 16 January

0945 – 1100 hrs.	Breakout Session 1
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1A Cargo & Logistics

Cargo and logistics offer sizeable ancillary revenues for airlines, airports and other aviation services suppliers. Physical capacity constraints are being overcome through off-airport facilities, digital enablers, ease of providing multimodal logistics, improving connectivity in tier 2/3 towns and harnessing the potential of e-commerce. New airports are being developed specifically as logistics hubs to drive manufacturing clusters. Policies to encourage their growth and development across regions will be highlighted.

1B Make in India

OEMs of aircraft, engines and critical parts are looking at setting up production facilities in emerging economies. Growing passenger traffic and enhanced regional connectivity in these destinations are giving rise to greater manufacturing demands, particularly for aircraft manufacturing and MRO services. Global OEM's/ manufacturers have already evinced interest in setting up base in India, taking advantage of Ease of Doing Business and gaining from the cost advantages. The session will focus on discussions on manufacturing opportunities and capitalizing on blistering growth, particularly for different types of aircraft such as regional jets, seaplanes, and drones.

1C Enhancing Safety

Aviation is a zero error, zero tolerance industry. Safety standards have to be maintained across an increasingly complex and sophisticated aviation ecosystem. Regulatory agencies, OEMs, and airlines have to partner together to be able to continuously improve and strengthen safety standards. Human factor design and training issues will also be discussed along with advanced technology solutions.

1100 – 1115 hrs.	Networking Tea
1115 – 1230 hrs.	Breakout Session 2



















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2A Financing Aviation

Air traffic at airports has been growing in all three segments- passenger, freight and aircraft movement. Governments acknowledge necessary infrastructure requirements and understand that access to appropriate financing is a major challenge. To harness the growth Governments have promoted private sector participation (PPP) to accelerate development of airports. New regulatory and financing models being developed around the world will be discussed. Multiple different types of investors will present their perspectives on regulatory models that give provide predictability and stability.

2B Aviation Security

Session will discuss the best ways to enhance security of air travel by way of innovations, new age technology, smart intelligence and digitization.

2C Role of Aviation Startups

Aviation presents a range of opportunities for entrepreneurs in customer handling, upselling, security, safety, airport experiences, new types of aviation equipment etc. The session discusses the role of startups in various areas and the unique challenges that they face in a highly regulated industry.

1230 – 1330 hrs.	Lunch
1330 – 1445 hrs.	Flying in the Future – Plenary Session

With futuristic aircraft, new age solutions like drones, intensive use of robotics and artificial intelligence, all fueled by big data and advanced analytics, aviation is going to change dramatically. This session focuses on how innovative technology and solutions will transform global aviation.

1445 – 1515 hrs.	Tea
1515 - 1630 hrs.	Airports of the Future – Plenary Session

Airport capacity across the world needs to grow dramatically. India alone will require investments worth US\$50-60 billion to meet the demand of a billion trips per year across 200 airports. The session will highlight the need for development and modernization of aviation infrastructure, how governments are globally addressing this financing opportunity, and what policy innovations may be required to increase the financial viability of low-traffic airports.

1630 – 1745 hrs.	Building Great Aviation Businesses – CEO Plenary Session











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Top CEOs from across the aviation sector will discuss how to build great aviation businesses that can deliver on customer expectations and prepare for the future while still delivering attractive financial returns. CEOs will highlight the need to bring in top talent and stay ahead of the various disruptions that are roiling the aviation sector.

1745 hrs. onwards	Networking Reception











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