Legislative Day: Wednesday, March 16, 2016

7:30 a.m.            Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:00 a.m.-8:20 a.m.  Welcome, Introductions and Legislative Leadership Award Presentation
                      Daniel Fisher, Vice President of Legislative Affairs, ARSA

8:20 a.m.-8:45 a.m.  A View from the Hill
                      Hear from a senior Capitol Hill staffer about the FAA reauthorization bill and the politics surrounding aviation policy.

8:45 a.m.—9:15 a.m.  It’s All About You
                      Your association's legislative agenda for the coming year.
                      Daniel Fisher, Vice President of Legislative Affairs, ARSA
                      Christian A. Klein, Executive Vice President, ARSA

9:15 a.m.            Depart for Capitol Hill (via taxi, Metro, or Uber)

10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. Congressional Meetings

12:00 p.m. –1:00 p.m. Congressional Briefing & Luncheon – 2167 Rayburn House Office Building
                      Join ARSA for the unveiling of the 2016 Global Maintenance, Repair, & Overhaul Industry Economic Assessment.
                      Daniel Fisher, Vice President of Legislative Affairs, ARSA
                      Christian A. Klein, Executive Vice President, ARSA
                      David Marcontell, Vice President, CAVOK

4:00 p.m.-5:30 p.m.  Registration

5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.  Ice Breaker Reception
Symposium: Thursday, March 17, 2016

7:30 a.m.  Registration and Continental Breakfast—Ballroom Foyer

8:00 a.m.-8:15 a.m.  Welcome and Introductory Remarks—Grand Ballroom
Sarah MacLeod, Executive Director, ARSA

8:15 a.m.-8:45 a.m.  Keynote Address
Peggy Gilligan, Associate Administrator for Aviation Safety, Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)

8:45 a.m.-9:15 a.m.  Session 1: What We Have Done Lately
The association’s regulatory, legislative and communications initiatives have set the agenda. Hear about what the association is doing through and for our members.
Christian A. Klein, Executive Vice President, ARSA
Sarah MacLeod, Executive Director, ARSA
David Marcontell, Vice President, CAVOK

9:15 a.m.-9:30 a.m.  Break

9:30 a.m.-10:45 a.m.  Session 2: Opening Salvo—Maintenance
Regulators provide and discuss updates on the regulations, policies and procedures governing the maintenance industry.
Timothy W. Shaver, Acting Manager, Aircraft Maintenance Division, FAA
Karl Specht, Continuing Airworthiness Organisations Manager, Approvals and Standardisation Directorate, European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA)
Hélio Tarquinio Júnior, General Manager, Continuous Airworthiness General Branch, Department of Airworthiness, National Civil Aviation Agency of Brazil (ANAC)
Moderator: Sarah MacLeod, Executive Director, ARSA

10:45 a.m.-11:00 a.m.  Break

11:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m.  Session 3: Opening Salvo—Certification
Regulators provide and discuss updates on the regulations, policies and procedures that govern the design and production of civil aviation articles.
Karl Specht, Continuing Airworthiness Organisations Manager, Approvals and Standardisation Directorate, EASA
Hélio Tarquinio Júnior, General Manager, Continuous Airworthiness General Branch, Department of Airworthiness, ANAC
Moderator: Marshall S. Filler, Managing Director & General Counsel, ARSA
12:15 p.m.-12:30 p.m. Break

12:30 p.m.-2:00 p.m. **Lunch with Security Leadership—Plaza Ballroom**
Peter Neffenger, Administrator, Transportation Security Administration

2:00 p.m.-3:15 p.m. **Session 4: The Politics of International Aviation**
How is MAG Change 5 working for you? Get an analysis of the most recent revision, hear about industry implementation efforts, and engage with association leaders in preparation for MAG Change 6.
Marshall S. Filler, Managing Director & General Counsel, ARSA

3:15 p.m.-3:30 p.m. Break

3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. **Session 5: Workforce Development**
The vast majority of ARSA members report difficulty finding qualified technicians to fill vacancies. With looming retirements and growing demand for technically-skilled workers, an aviation workforce crisis looms. It will be felt industry-wide, from the cockpit to the control tower to the maintenance line. What can be done? Panelists will address the global, national and practical facets of building and maintaining the aviation workforce of the future.
James Brown, Executive Director, STEM Education Coalition
Moderator: Brett Levanto, Vice President of Communications, ARSA

4:30 p.m.-6:00 p.m. **Club Lounge Happy Hour**

Friday, March 18, 2016

8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m. **Breakfast and Annual Report**
Following the annual membership meeting, the FAA administrator gives an overview of the agency’s goals and priorities for the coming year.
Gary Hudnall, General Manager, Jet Center Medford & President, ARSA

9:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m. Break

10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. **Breakout Session 1: Reporting Maintenance Errors**
Hear an update on the AVDEX program and take the opportunity to provide industry feedback.
Keith Lardie, Aerospace Engineer, Operational Oversight Policy Branch, FAA
Moderator: Daniel Fisher, Vice President of Legislative Affairs, ARSA
Breakout Session 2: Preferred Providers

ARSA uses the collective influence of its membership, as well as its long experience, to select vendors and service providers that meet the needs of the aviation maintenance industry. For members, these relationships produce favorable contracts, special products and other benefits. Hear more about the association’s current relationships and take the opportunity to provide feedback on potential opportunities.

Shirley Z. Negri, Chief Operating Officer, NATA Compliance Services, LLC

Moderator: Brett Levanto, Vice President of Communications, ARSA

Breakout Session 3: International Certification of Maintenance Organizations

Aviation maintenance is a global industry; but to compete internationally companies must deal with various national aviation authorities. Hear from regulators about certification requirements and how to navigate the tangled web.

Helio Tarquinio Junior, General Manager, ANAC
Karl Specht, Continuing Airworthiness Organisations Manager, Approvals and Standardisation Directorate, EASA

Moderator: Marshall S. Filler, Managing Director & General Counsel, ARSA

Breakout Session 4: How to Sell a Repair Station—Big or Small

Whether you are planning on retirement, divesting, monetizing your investment, or outright ready to sell your business, learn the elements from start to finish: preparing for a sale, valuing your business, going to market with a teaser and confidential information memorandum, finding the right buyer, setting up a data room, and evaluating, negotiating and closing with acceptable risks for both sides.

Al Givray, Law Partner, Davis Graham & Stubbs, LLP & General Counsel, The NORDAM Group, Inc.

Moderator: Sarah MacLeod, Executive Director, ARSA