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## **IBAC Announces IS-BAH Standards Board for 2024/2025 Welcomes Three New Members**

**Montreal – 19 June 2024** - The International Business Aviation Council (IBAC) recently held its 10th annual International Standard for Business Aircraft Handling (IS-BAH™) Standards Board meeting prior to the opening of EBACE 2024. In addition to the meeting to review and consider changes to the IS-BAH standard, IBAC welcomed three new members to the IS-BAH Standards Board for 2024-2025, including Troy Hyberger from Duncan Aviation, Rick Hooper from VistaJet, and Jose Rubinho from United Aviation Services. The organization also expresses its gratitude to the returning board members for their ongoing service.

The IS-BAH Standards Board is responsible for the content of the Standard, as delegated by the IBAC Governing Board. Suggestions for improvements are gathered throughout the year from industry users and from changes identified by IBAC within the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) Standards and Recommended Practice (SARPs). The updates to the IS-BAH 2024 standard will be released in July.

Since its inception in 2014, IS-BAH Programme has registered more than 318 locations globally, aiming to enhance the safety and efficiency of business and general aviation Ground Handling Service Providers (GHSP). As a voluntary programme, IS-BAH is the first industry standard to incorporate the SMS concept into ground handling, enabling handlers to conform to the ICAO SMS framework.

The IS-BAH Standards Board members comprise of ground handling professionals from around the world, representing the wide range and scope of service providers and aircraft operators.

### **The 2024-2025 IS-BAH Standards Board Members include:**

- Lou Sorrentino – AVMASSI (Chair)
- Joseph Azzaz – Sky Valet Golf de St-Tropez Airport
- Chris Barrow – Hong Kong Business Aviation Centre (HKBAC)
- Phil Bartle – Signature Flight Support
- Alain Champannois – Chapman Freeborn
- Kevin Donnelly – Jet Aviation US
- Benjamin Hammond – Pentastar
- Rick Hooper – VistaJet
- Troy Hyberger – Duncan Aviation
- Dawit Lemma – Krimson Aviation
- Allison Markey – 30W Aviation
- Jose Rubinho – United Aviation Services
- Jennifer Van Winkle – Sundt Air

Recognizing that many organizations may have limited resources to begin the [six-step process](#) to IS-BAH, IBAC has established a group of accredited [Programme Support Affiliates \(PSA\)](#) - these subject matter experts in IS-BAH offer fee-based assistance for implementation, providing a valuable resource to organizations.

## **About International Business Aviation Council (IBAC)**

IBAC represents the interests of business aviation worldwide. IBAC is a non-profit, international trade association with official observer status at the International Civil Aviation Organization, the UN Specialized Agency for aviation matters, in Montreal, Canada. IBAC promotes and manages the industry-leading standards for best safety practices through its International Standard for Business Aircraft Operations (IS-BAO™); International Standard for Business Aviation Handling (IS-BAH™); Safety Management Tool Kit; SMS eLearning training; and Crew Card. Recently introduced in partnership with CTX, the IBAC Carbon Credit Exchange provides the business aviation community with a reliable resource for real-time offsetting to reduce its carbon footprint. More details at [www.ibac.org](http://www.ibac.org)

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