



# Skyguide receives the World's first Air Navigation Service Provider GreenATM Award

Geneva, 7 March 2023 - Skyguide was earlier today awarded in CANSO's new GreenATM programme. Presented at the CANSO Executive Summit in Geneva, the award presented to the Swiss Air Navigation Service Provider (ANSP) recognised its work to minimise excess emissions in the Swiss airspace, as well as for the reduction of its own direct environment footprint.

Innovation, efficiency, and engagement are key to Skyguide's environmental action. Continuous efforts within the company have indeed proven successful in a Swiss federal context, both in terms of contributing to the implementation of the Energy Strategy 2050 and deploying the Exemplary Energy and Climate plan of best practices. The steady improvements of its environmental performance are encouraging and have now allowed for a maturity level 3 accreditation of Skyguide's environmental efforts by CANSO.

#### Inspiring higher levels of environmental action

CANSO developed the idea of an accreditation programme evaluating ANSPs efforts in the environmental domain and triggering additional ones. The GreenATM programme, launched in late 2022, covers a range of topics related to ANSPs own environmental footprint and efficiency efforts related to the airspace for which they are responsible. ANSPs are assessed against five defined levels with progressively ambitious and comprehensive objectives for each topic. GreenATM hence provides an objective validation of ANSPs efforts to increase sustainability and environmental management.

In addition, with the creation of a shared baseline of evaluation for ANSPs worldwide, and subsequently a growing participation in the accreditation programme, best practice will undoubtedly be uncovered and shared across the industry. This will inspire coordinated action between ANSPs and enable the delivery of initiatives that will greatly benefit the environment.

"We are proud to have Skyguide as the very first ANSP accredited under this new programme. Their Level 3 achievement is evidence of strong environmental sustainability efforts across a broad range of topics and engagement with employees and airspace users on initiatives that will deliver tangible environmental benefits", says Simon Hocquard, Director General of CANSO.

"Reaching Level 3 of GreenATM is a great recognition of Skyguide's engagement for the environment. By highlighting the areas in which Skyguide positively influences its own environmental footprint and that of its customers, we are convinced that this accreditation is a great opportunity to stimulate progress in the implementation of new solutions, and to aim at the next levels of GreenATM. ANSPs play an important role in the decarbonisation of the aviation industry and this programme is a major step in inspiring the focus, progress and collaboration we need", says Alex Bristol, CEO of Skyguide.

Interested journalists can apply for accreditation via presse@skyguide.ch and visit our Skyguide booth at Airspace World Geneva on 8 March 2023 for more information about the GreenATM Award. A dedicated panel discussion will also take place at 1330 at the Sustainability Theatre with Michelle Bishop, CANSO Director of Programmes, Thierry Brégou, Head of Skyguide's Green Team, and Pascal Hochstrasser, Head of Geneva Tower & Approach at Skyguide and Co-chair Global Environment Work Group at CANSO.

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# About Skyguide

Skyguide is committed to providing safe, efficient and sustainable air traffic management in Switzerland and adjacent parts of neighbouring countries. With its 1,500 professionals at 14 locations, the company guides civil and military flights through Europe's busiest airspace. Through innovation and trustworthy partnerships Skyguide enhances Switzerland's appeal as a place to live, work and do business. The company is majority-owned by the Swiss Confederation and headquartered in Geneva.

#### **About CANSO**

The Civil Air Navigation Services Organisation (CANSO) is the global voice of the air traffic management (ATM) industry and is shaping our future skies. Our members support over 90% of the world's air traffic and include air navigation service providers, airspace users and operators, manufacturers and aviation industry suppliers. We raise the bar on global ATM performance by connecting the industry to share knowledge, expertise and innovation.

### About GreenATM

GreenATM is a CANSO programme that provides an independent, industry-endorsed, accreditation of ANSP environmental efforts. Administered in collaboration with THINK Research, the programme assesses the maturity and robustness of ANSP efforts across 24 topics related to governance and policy, ground/terminal and en route operations, infrastructure, and procurement practices. The programme includes 5 Levels of achievement.