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Forrest Colliver is President & Founder of AeroNextGen SAS, a leading source of subject-matter expertise in airborne and ground-based communication, navigation & surveillance systems and operational aspects of global ATC modernization programs. He brings to AviaGlobal Group a broad background in the application of technology, strategic planning, program management and business development disciplines to the deployment of avionics and air traffic management systems.

Mr. Colliver’s career in aerospace spans more than 30 years, having lived and worked in both the US and the European Union. His success in solution-oriented business development derives from application of his strong engineering core capability with his extensive business background to focus on taking ideas from conception to implementation. Mr. Colliver combines personal dedication with team focus to produce the desired operational result.

Mr. Colliver has held a number of executive management positions, serving for the past three years as Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of the Becker Group, headquartered at Becker Avionics GmbH (Rheinmünster, Germany). Prior to Becker, Mr. Colliver was Vice President, NextGen Systems, at Innovative Solutions & Support. He also served as Program Manager and as Director of Business Development at Thales S.A. in Toulouse, France, as Vice President of Business Development at EMS Technologies, and as Director of Business Development at Sensis Corporation.

Mr. Colliver balances his executive & business skills with expertise in technology leadership based on his long-term support for industry, governmental & non-governmental organizations. He served as Program Manager for Aviation Research at the MITRE Corporation in Washington, D.C., and has supported the US Federal Aviation Administration, serving as a technology & policy advisor at ICAO, RTCA/EUROCAE, IATA & AEEC forums. Mr. Colliver also served as Program Manager for several European Air Traffic Management research consortia, where he represented the French DGAC’s technology & policy interests.

Mr. Colliver has been a speaker at conferences & symposia throughout his career. He has been honored with the FAA’s Award for Achievement in Technical Excellence, has received the MITRE Corporation’s Awards for Team Leadership, and has been recognized by RTCA for his role in leadership of cross-industry technology policy advisory teams.

Mr. Colliver holds Bachelor’s and Master’s degrees in Electrical Engineering from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University and an MBA degree from East Tennessee State University. He is an avid outdoor enthusiast and dedicated alpinist, is passionate about music and world history, and is fluent in English and French.