

# AEROSPACE UPDATE



October 2014

## Sunbelt Ag Expo October 14-16, Moultrie, GA



Join a delegation of Georgia businesses, research institutes, and state government resources at the Sunbelt Ag Expo for a special exhibit on Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) and their application in Agriculture. Co-sponsored by the Association of

Unmanned Vehicle Systems International - Atlanta Chapter, and the Department of Economic Development's Center of Innovation for Aerospace, the exhibit will display emerging aerial technology and seek to further explore the expanding opportunities in the agricultural industry.

***We have received an FAA Certificate of Authorization to fly UAS from Guided Systems Technology and Vision Services Group in an agricultural research demonstration, gathering imagery over a 12 acre field at the Sunbelt Expo.***

### ***Why Unmanned Aircraft Systems?***

- Predicted to have a \$379 million and 2,000 job economic impact in the State of Georgia just in the first three years of commercial operation.
- Georgia's leading industry, agriculture, is the most anticipated industry for use with this technology.
- Saves farmers time and money by minimizing crop inputs

### ***Participating Georgia companies/organizations include:***

- Flight Guardian
- Guided Systems Technologies
- VSG-Unmanned
- Georgia Tech Research Institute

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## **European Business Aviation Convention and Exhibition - May 19-21, 2015**

Join the Georgia Department of Economic Development (GDECd) on a trade mission to attend the 2015 European Business Aviation Convention & Exhibition (EBACE) May 19-21, 2015 in Geneva, Switzerland. Participating companies will meet key contacts and leverage trade opportunities. Customized, pre-qualified, one-on-one appointments can help accelerate success in this market of 27 countries.

## Aerospace Events

October 8-12

**Smokey Mountain Fly-In  
Georgia Style**  
Fort Valley, GA  
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October 11

**Wings and Wheels Car, Truck  
and Motorcycle Show**  
Warner Robins, GA  
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October 11-12

**The Great Georgia  
Air Show**  
Peachtree City, GA  
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October 14-16

**Sunbelt Ag Expo**  
Moultrie, GA  
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October 15-17

**Georgia Airports Association  
Annual Conference**  
Savannah, GA  
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October 18-19

**Wings Over North Georgia**  
Rome, GA  
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October 21-23

**NBAA 2014**  
Orlando, FL  
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November 8

**AOPA Regional Fly-In**

For more information, please contact Taube Ponce, Senior International Trade Manager, 404-962-4118 or [tponce@georgia.org](mailto:tponce@georgia.org).

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## Unmanned Aircraft Systems

Center of Innovation for Aerospace Director Steve Justice joined partners from McKenna, Long & Aldridge, LLP, the Commissioner of the Georgia Department of Agriculture, and the Chairs of the Science and Technology Committees from Georgia's House of Representatives and Senate in a series of panel discussions on the future of Georgia's UAS Industry at the "Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) Breakfast Briefing" Sept 23.

Two days later, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) announced that it had granted regulatory exemptions to six aerial photo and video production companies to fly small UAS, following FAA-approved safety procedures. This is an important first step toward allowing the film and television industry to use unmanned aircraft systems in the National Airspace System.

Reuters reports that the FAA has received nearly a dozen new applications to allow commercial use of unmanned aircraft over the past week. It plans to publish draft rules to allow broader use by the end of the year, the top agency official for the program said on Wednesday.

The Georgia Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) Working Group is a state-wide committee dedicated to growing existing Georgia UAS companies and attracting more UAS industry employers to the state. The next meeting will be held November 13th. For more information on how to attend, please contact Chad Dennis at [chad.dennis@mga.edu](mailto:chad.dennis@mga.edu).

## Georgia Aerospace Directory: Potential Clients are Looking For YOU - Update Your Listing Now!

The COI Aerospace website and Directory average over 2,000 visits each month providing great visibility and potential connections for the 700 listed companies and organizations.

Please update your company's free listing with more information to help potential clients find your company. You can showcase all of your company's products and services by listing multiple keywords. Take a look at [Area 1's](#) expanded listing for ideas on how you can add brochures, video, links to your listing.

Click [here](#) to start now, or contact Amy Hudnall to find out more: [Ahudnall@georgia.org](mailto:Ahudnall@georgia.org)

## Case Studies

### Guided Systems Technologies Seeds the Future for UAS on Farms with Help from Georgia Centers of Innovation

The Centers of Innovation for Aerospace and Agribusiness, assembled a team of strategic partners from across Georgia,

St. Simons, GA  
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**November 12**

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including Guided Systems Technologies, to perform a months-long project to refine their understanding of potential future UAS product and services offerings.

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## The Georgia Center of Innovation for Aerospace Played Key Role in the Launch of Generation Orbit's Reach for the Stars



Through the ongoing partnership with the Center of Innovation for Aerospace, Generation Orbit has assembled a team of partners across Georgia and the United States that are developing the world's first dedicated small satellite launch system.

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