



Boeing, Aurora Break Ground on New Boeing Aerospace & Autonomy Center *100,000 square foot research facility will accelerate future mobility systems*

Cambridge, MA, October 9, 2018 – Today, Boeing Chief Technology Officer Greg Hyslop and Aurora Flight Sciences President, Chief Executive Officer, and Founder John Langford joined MIT leaders, public officials, and students and residents of Kendall Square for the groundbreaking ceremony of 314 Main Street – the future home of the Boeing Aerospace & Autonomy Center. The event took place during Greater Boston's HUBweek, an annual 'festival of the future' that brings together attendees from around the world to celebrate leading ideas and innovations coming out of this region. Kendall Square – the most innovative square mile on the planet – served as the stage for this year's 200+ events, including the groundbreaking of this new research facility.

"The mission of the Boeing Aerospace & Autonomy Center is to make autonomous flight a reality. We aim to make the future of travel safer and more efficient," said John Langford, Aurora Flight Sciences Founder, CEO, and MIT alumnus. "By expanding Aurora's 30-year relationship with MIT, and working with Boeing, we are creating a collaborative space where innovators across the globe will work together to define the next-century of air mobility."

The new Boeing Aerospace & Autonomy Center advances the development of next-generation aircraft and the enabling technologies that allow for safe, autonomous flight. Boeing subsidiary, Aurora Flight Sciences, will operate the 100,000 square foot center. It will be located in a new 17-floor building in Kendall Square on the east side of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology campus. Currently, Aurora is working on aerospace autonomy at its existing research and development center in Kendall Square. Once complete, Boeing and Aurora engineers will move into the new facility in Cambridge, MA in 2020.

The investment in the new center follows the recent creation of Boeing NeXt. This new organization unites researchers and projects across the company to shape the future of travel and transport, including the development of a next-generation airspace management system to enable the safe coexistence of piloted and autonomous vehicles. Employees at the center will help develop new technologies in support of Boeing NeXt programs.

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About Aurora Flight Sciences

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