

## **PRESS RELEASE**

## Martin Eurnekian elected as ACI World's Vice Chair

**Panama City, October 19, 2017** – The 27<sup>th</sup> Airports Council International (ACI) World Annual General Assembly met in Mauritius this 18 October and renewed its leadership. Bongani Maseko, CEO, Airports Company South Africa, has been elected as ACI World's new Chair. Martin Eurnekian, CEO, Corporación América and President, ACI Latin America-Caribbean (LAC), has also been appointed as Vice-Chair for the period from January 2018–December 2019.

The election of Martin Eurnekian becomes the first time in which a LAC airport executive is elected to such a distinction role at ACI. Martin Eurnekian expressed his gratitude to the ACI World Board Members for the trust and confidence in supporting his election.

"ACI is committed to continuing to advocate for airports so that sound operational and economic policies are promoted and embraced by all aviation stakeholders to facilitate the sustainable growth of the air transport system throughout the world," said Martin Eurnekian. "I thank the ACI Assembly for its vote of confidence to be part of the new leadership for the next two years."

"I welcome Martin Eurnekian as ACI World's new Vice-Chair," said Angela Gittens. "He has been an active member of ACI Latin America-Caribbean for more than 10 years and President since 2016. In those years he has closely engaged with international organizations, including the International Civil Air Organization, in order to improve the sector's safety, security and efficiency and his insights will serve the world's airports aptly."

Several resolutions, fundamental to the interest of airports, were adopted at the ACI World Annual General Assembly, including actions that promote the sustainable development of aviation and continual improvement of the customer experience. During the Assembly, Martin Eurnekian also joined the approval of a resolution that urges policy-makers and regulators to set the right economic incentives for sustainable infrastructure development through light-handed and more commercially oriented oversight frameworks proportionate to the degree of market power of airports.

The ACI World Annual General Assembly was held in conjunction with the ACI Africa Annual Conference and Exhibition, and it attracted more than 500 airports and aviation leaders from around the world.

About Airports Council International – Latin America & Caribbean (ACI-LAC)

ACI-LAC is the LatinAmerica & Caribbean region of Airports Council International, the only worldwide professional association of airport operators. ACI-LAC represents over 260 airports in 36 countries. Member airports handle 95% of commercial air traffic in LatinAmerica & Caribbean, welcoming over 570 million passengers, 5.4 million tonnes of freight and more than 9.0 million aircraft movements each year.