

Press Release

Ethiopian Airlines Group CEO hosts AFRAA Secretary General for the AFRAA CEOs Leadership Dialogues

06 May 2022, Addis Ababa – Kenya: The African Airlines Association (AFRAA) Secretary General, Mr. Abdérahmane Berthé, met the new Ethiopian Airlines Group Chief Executive Officer, Ato. Mesfin Tasew Bekele in Addis for the second edition of **"AFRAA Member Airline CEOs Leadership Dialogues"** session on Thursday 05 May 2022 at Ethiopian Airlines headquarters in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

Speaking after the session, Mr. Abdérahmane Berthé, AFRAA Secretary General stated: "AFRAA is grateful for the opportunity to have the CEOs Leadership Dialogues session with Ethiopian Airlines which is timely as Ato Mesfin Bekele takes over the leadership of Ethiopian Airlines. We have had very fruitful deliberations at this meeting that will enhance the cooperation between Ethiopian Airlines and AFRAA as well as strategic actions to ensure that African aviation continues to grow and play a much more prominent role in the world."

"Ethiopian Airlines is one of the 15 founding members of AFRAA in 1968. A continued collaboration between Ethiopian airlines and the Association is essential for the vision of AFRAA and our membership." Mr. Berthé added.

Through the CEO Dialogues, AFRAA engages member's leadership with the objective of creating the space for dialogue necessary to develop transformative initiatives. AFRAA will continuously interact with the Member airlines' decision makers towards effective implementation of added-value projects and actions supporting members' sustainability.

Ethiopian Airlines Chairman of the Board, Ato Girma Wake and other Senior Leadership representatives of Ethiopian Airlines were also present during the deliberations.

Notes for Editors

About AFRAA

The African Airlines Association, also known by its acronym AFRAA, is a trade association of airlines from the member states of the African Union (AU). Founded in Accra, Ghana, in April 1968, and headquartered in Nairobi, Kenya, AFRAA's mission is to promote, serve African Airlines and champion Africa's aviation industry. The Association envisions a sustainable, interconnected and affordable Air Transport industry in Africa where African Airlines become key players and drivers to African economic development.



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