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This is the beginning of what we envision will be many joint industry efforts on behalf of the Airforwards Association (AFA) and Cargo Network Services (CNS). While there may be a perception that each serves a different air cargo niche, both organizations share a common goal to help the industry thrive.

These are challenging times as the struggling global economy and looming security requirements preoccupy our thoughts. We are looking forward to when these challenges are behind us and are working to determine how a paperless environment can drive efficiencies in your organizations.

The IATA e-freight project is an initiative to take the paper out of air cargo shipments. The program is intended to allow carriers, freight forwarders, ground handlers, shippers and customs authorities, to replace paper documents with electronic messages.

IATA's objective is to encourage local stakeholders, especially freight forwarders, to adopt e-freight in the current live markets. Therefore, IATA has asked for a candid opinion from Airforwards Association members on its implementation efforts.

Please take a few moments to respond to the linked questionnaire at [http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=qn7P1p5qaFKJHCI\\_2bJFNxg\\_3d\\_3d](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=qn7P1p5qaFKJHCI_2bJFNxg_3d_3d). Your information will remain confidential and data will only be shared with IATA on a summary basis.

Thanks for your time, continued support and participation. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

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