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Williams Gateway Airport Authority Signs MOU with Cognitive Engineering Research Institute

MESA, ARIZ. --- Williams Gateway Airport Authority and the Cognitive Engineering Research Institute, an Arizona non-profit corporation, have signed a Memorandum of Understanding to mutually support aviation research activities. Recognizing the unique opportunity of co-located facilities, WGAA and CERI agree to collaborate on matters of mutual interest by utilizing the research resources available through CERI, combined with the physical facilities and real world application of an operational airport.

WGAA Executive Director, Lynn Kusy said, "There are several technology-based businesses at Williams Gateway Airport that could benefit from this partnership. Williams Gateway Airport is committed to being an active participant in supporting such progress."

US Positioning, an Airport-based technology company and partner with CERI, is pleased about the new MOU. "US Positioning is excited about the opportunity to work with Williams Gateway Airport Authority to establish a presence in Arizona promoting aviation research," said Bill Hinz, CEO, US Positioning. "Having a world class facility with an aggressive partner like Williams Gateway assures us of future success in these chosen markets."

Dr. Wink Bennett, a Senior Scientist for Training Research at the United States Air Force Research Laboratory, Warfighter Readiness Research Division (another nearby CERI collaborator) noted, "We're very excited about the MOU, as it opens additional opportunities within the context of our consortium with seven major universities to further aviation-related training research."

The MOU entrusts CERI to develop and maintain a single point of interface for industry representatives who want to be involved in research activities while committing both entities to share prospect information to the extent permitted by the terms and conditions of those research projects, by their respective governing boards, and by law.

The Airport is owned and operated by the Williams Gateway Airport Authority that includes the Gila River Indian Community, Gilbert, Mesa and Queen Creek. For more information, visit www.flywga.org.