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Kevin Herbert, M.B.Ch.B., D.Av.Med., Receives Tamisiea Award

Kevin Herbert, M.B.Ch.B., D.Av.Med., was the 2016 recipient of the John A. Tamisiea Award for his outstanding leadership and inspiration in all fields of aviation medicine. The award was presented during AsMA Honors Night Ceremonies, April 28, 2016, at the Harrah's Resort Hotel in Atlantic City, NJ. Dr. Herbert started the European 'Fly Safe, Fly Well' project, which highlighted the importance of mental health and preventive aspects in the daily work of all AMEs. He also led the European



Society of Aviation Medicine (ESAM) and consolidated ESAM organizationally, helping to strengthen the voice of European AMEs and other aerospace medicine professionals in Europe. Additionally, he organized the 34th European Conference on Aerospace Medicine in London. He has continued and deepened the relationship between the Aerospace Medical Association (AsMA) and ESAM with his leadership of the ESAM at AsMA meetings during AsMA's annual scientific meeting, the bilateral strategic talks between the leaders of the two organizations, and as chair of the scientific committee of the first ever joint AsMA-ESAM scientific meeting to be held in Oslo later this year.

Dr. Herbert was born in the United Kingdom and currently practices as an Aviation Medical Examiner in Daventry, Northamptonshire. After qualification in 1977 and specialist training, he was a General Practitioner in the National Health Service for 25 years. He was managing partner of a large medical practice for 22 of those years and the practice was an 'early adopter' of the many changes to primary care in the United Kingdom during that period, including fund holding and Primary Care Trust formation. He then spent 5 years as an NHS chief executive. During this time he built an innovative new community hospital in Daventry. He gained his private pilot licence in 1995 and began to pursue his interest in aviation medicine. He gained a Diploma in Aviation Medicine in 1999 and was appointed as an AME the same year.

After some years as Hon. Secretary of the Association of Aviation Medical Examiners in the UK, Dr. Herbert was elected as Chairman in 2010. He has been President of the European Society of Aerospace Medicine since 2012, being re-elected for a second term in 2014. He is also a member of the Society of Occupational Medicine and the International Academy of Aviation and Space Medicine, an affiliate member of the Faculty of Occupational Medicine, and a member of the Aerospace Medical Association.

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Established and sponsored by the Civil Aviation Medical Association in memory of John A. Tamisiea, M.D. Awarded annually to an aviation medical examiner or other individual who has made an outstanding contribution to the art and science of aviation medicine in its application to the general aviation field.

About the Aerospace Medical Association

The Aerospace Medical Association (AsMA) is the largest, most-representative professional organization in the fields of aerospace medicine and human performance. The Aerospace Medical Association is an umbrella group providing a forum for many different disciplines to come together and share their expertise. The Association has provided its expertise to a multitude of Federal and international agencies on a broad range of issues including aviation and space medical standards, the aging pilot, and physiological stresses of flight. AsMA's membership includes aerospace medicine specialists, physiologists, psychologists, human performance specialists, flight nurses, and researchers in this field. Most are with industry, civil aviation regulatory agencies, departments of defense and military services, the airlines, space programs, and universities. Approximately 25% of the membership is international. Through the efforts of the AsMA members, safety in flight and man's overall adaptation to adverse environments have been more nearly achieved. For further information, please visit www.asma.org.