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Air Canada President and Chief Executive Calin Rovinescu Wins for Executive Leadership at the 2018 Airline Strategy Awards

MONTREAL, July 16, 2018 /CNW Telbec/ - Air Canada President and Chief Executive Officer Calin Rovinescu has won the Executive Leadership Award at the 2018 Airline Strategy Awards. The award, for the airline president/chief executive who has demonstrated outstanding strategic thinking and leadership, was presented in London. The Airline Strategy Awards are run by established air transport industry news and analysis provider, Flight Airline Business.

"Having worked closely with Calin as he led the successful transformation of Air Canada, I can fully attest that he personifies the attributes the Executive Leadership Award is designed to recognize. From clearly articulating a vision for the airline's success to developing and guiding the skilled team needed to realize that vision, Calin has at every step shown himself a powerful leader who at all times keeps the best interests of all stakeholders - investors, employees and customers - central to decision-making," said Vagn Sørensen, Chairman of the Board of Directors of Air Canada.

In recognizing Mr. Rovinescu's accomplishments, Max Kingsley-Jones, executive director content at FlightGlobal and host of the Airline Strategy Awards, said: "The airline industry is enjoying a healthy existence right now in an era of sustained profitability and stability. But some airline management teams are still rising above their peers through clever strategies and innovative thinking."

This is the second significant recognition Mr. Rovinescu has received recently. In June he was named a Member of The Order of Canada. Previously, he was named Canada's Outstanding CEO of the Year (2016), and was selected by the *Globe and Mail's* Report on Business as Canada's Best CEO (2013).

Airline Strategy Awards details Mr. Rovinescu's accomplishments [here](#). Visit strategyawards.com for more information.

Air Canada was named winner in the Finance category of the 2017 Airline Strategy Awards.

About Air Canada

Air Canada is Canada's largest domestic and international airline serving more than 220 airports on six continents. Canada's flag carrier is among the 20 largest airlines in the world and in 2017 served more than 48 million customers. Air Canada provides scheduled passenger service directly to 64 airports in Canada, 59 in the United States and 98 in Europe, the Middle East, Africa, Asia, Australia, the Caribbean, Mexico, Central America and South America. Air Canada is a founding member of Star Alliance, the world's most comprehensive air transportation network serving 1,317 airports in 193 countries. Air Canada is the only international network carrier in North America to receive a Four-Star ranking according to independent U.K. research firm Skytrax, which also named Air Canada the 2017 Best Airline in North America. Air Canada was also named the 2018 Eco-Airline of the Year by the respected airline industry publication *Air Transport World* for its commitment to emissions reductions. For more information, please visit: aircanada.com/media, follow @AirCanada on Twitter and join Air Canada on Facebook.

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