

Boeing Vancouver Labs to Focus on Rapid Development of Data Analytics-Driven Software Solutions

VANCOUVER, B.C., August 11, 2016— Boeing Vancouver today announced that it will open a new downtown laboratory focused on data analytics-driven software solutions. The Vancouver Labs will be focused on rapidly conceiving of, building and scaling solutions that help airlines and other aircraft operators increase efficiencies and drive costs out of their businesses. The Vancouver Labs complement the company's facilities in Richmond, B.C., which today employ more than 200 highly skilled software engineers and data scientists.

"The expansion represents a natural extension of Boeing Vancouver's analytics, software development and professional consulting work," said Boeing Vancouver president Bob Cantwell. "As one of the largest analytics groups within Boeing, we are well suited to house the new Vancouver Labs, which will focus on delivering data-driven solutions at a rapidly increased pace over traditional development."

By leveraging data science insights, reducing traditional enterprise development cycles and working with customers in a consultative manner as products are developed, the Vancouver Labs will work to deliver innovative solutions to Boeing's global customer base at an accelerated pace. Boeing Vancouver's new labs will create new jobs, while facilitating local knowledge transfer and enhancing partnerships between Boeing, other technology companies and academic institutions across Canada.

"We're delighted another tech giant is expanding its work in B.C.," said Amrik Virk, B.C. Minister of Technology, Innovation and Citizens' Services. "Boeing Vancouver is tapping into an amazing talent pool with a long history of delivering great innovations that have made the world a better place. Bringing new ideas to reality and driving the future of tech in B.C. is exactly what we aim to foster as part of our #BCTECH Strategy."

"Boeing's new labs office will be a significant addition to the province's growing technology sector and demonstrates B.C.'s reputation as a leading hub for technological innovation," said Teresa Wat, B.C. Minister of International Trade and Minister Responsible for Asia Pacific Strategy and Multiculturalism. "B.C. has a highly skilled knowledge-based workforce, and this is a great example of how they are being recruited to support the needs of a global leader in the aviation sector."

The Vancouver Labs are designed as an open concept space to maximize collaboration and creativity among multi-disciplined teams with skills in UI/UX design, data science, consulting, and Agile software-development. Boeing Vancouver, formerly known as AeroInfo, will move into the new facility in September 2016.

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