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**DISTINGUISHED LECTURERS TO SPEAK AT
48TH AIAA AEROSPACE SCIENCES MEETING AND EXPOSITION**

October 26, 2009 – Reston, Va. – The American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA) is pleased to announce that a series of distinguished lectures will be presented at the 48th AIAA Aerospace Sciences Meeting and Exposition, January 4–7, 2010, at the Orlando World Center Marriott, Orlando, Fla.

- **Dr. Ian Poll**, professor of aerospace engineering at Cranfield University, Bedfordshire, United Kingdom, will present the **AIAA Dryden Lectureship in Research** on Monday, January 4, at 5:30 p.m. The title of Dr. Poll's lecture is: **“Potential for the Minimization of Aviation's Impact on the Environment.”** The Dryden Lectureship in Research honors Dr. Hugh L. Dryden, former director of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, and a renowned proponent of the value of research programs to aerospace. Given annually, the lecture emphasizes the importance of basic research to the advancement of aeronautics and astronautics.
- **Dr. N. Albert Moussa**, president of BlazeTech Corporation, Cambridge, Mass., will present the **SAE/AIAA William Littlewood Memorial Lecture** on Tuesday, January 5, at 5:30 p.m. The title of Dr. Moussa's lecture is: **“Aircraft Fire and Explosion Protection.”** The William Littlewood Memorial Lecture honors William Littlewood, the only person to be president of both AIAA and SAE, and a renowned contributor to the design of, and operational requirements for, civil transport aircraft. This biennial lecture is presented to advance air transport engineering and to recognize those who make contributions to that field.
- **Col. Eileen M. Collins**, United States Air Force, retired, a former NASA astronaut, will present the **AIAA von Kármán Lectureship in Astronautics**, on Wednesday, January 6, at 5:30 p.m. The title of Col. Collins' lecture is: **“Human Spaceflight Success in Space Science and Human Exploration.”** The von Kármán Lectureship in Astronautics honors Theodore von Kármán, a world famous authority on aerospace sciences. The lectureship is given each year by an individual who has performed notably and distinguished himself or herself technically in the field of astronautics.

For more information on the distinguished lectures, or on the AIAA Honors and Awards program, please contact Carol Stewart at carols@aiaa.org or 703.264.7623.

For more information on the 48th Aerospace Sciences Meeting, please contact Duane Hyland at duaneh@aiaa.org or 703.264.7558. Registration information can be found at www.aiaa.org/events/asm. Registration is free for credentialed members of the press.

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