Dear Safety Partners of EASA,

During the EASA Safety Conference in Vienna, the Agency made a commitment to creating a Safety Promotion Portal for General Aviation. Work on this has started as part of EASA's new Safety Promotion Strategy and we look forward to working with you all on this important initiative. This new strategy will take a new and innovative approach to Safety Promotion. One of our first major initiatives is about VFR flight into IMC conditions targeted to GA pilots. It is important that we help pilots to understand both how to avoid such situations through effective pre-flight planning and updating their weather knowledge, as well as exploring what actions a pilot can take when such a situation still would occur.

EASA is inviting 12 pilots to take part in a simulator experiment where we will film them flying into IMC conditions with a scenario developed with our flight instructors and weather experts. We will then interview the pilots about what happened and what they felt during the situation. In addition, we will provide a second group of pilots with some basic techniques to help them handle the situation to highlight how pilots can be more prepared for this type of situation.

EASA has just issued a call for interest to GA pilots to join this exciting project, which will take place in March of 2019 (13+14 March). The deadline for application is set for 25th of January 2019. EASA will directly take care of the travel arrangements for the selected pilots to travel to Germany.

We would very much appreciate if you would share the information about this experiment as widely as possible within your networks and if you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact the Safety Promotion team at EASA via safetypromotion@easa.europa.eu. Follow the link to find all the information you need about this great opportunity to support our Safety Promotion efforts.

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We are Safety *Together!* Best Regards

Best Rgds and Merry Christmas

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