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## PRESS RELEASE

### **ETA Education Forum 2019 Surpasses Expectations**

*ETA International's annual conference, Education Forum, provided technicians and educators from around the world an opportunity to obtain valuable training leading to ETA accredited certification in multiple wireless communications specialty fields. Recently co-located with the International Wireless Communications Expo (IWCE) in Las Vegas, this year's conference attendance trained and certified more industry technicians than the trade association has helped in several years.*

**Greencastle, April 9, 2019:** The job demand for skilled people in wireless communications technology has never been greater and that was evidenced at [Education Forum](#), hosted by [ETA® International](#), with the largest conference attendance in recent years. Technicians with the desire to advance their knowledge and skills with expert training and ETA accredited certification took valuable time away from their jobs to build up their professional skills during conference.

As more and technicians and educators have discovered, ETA's Education Forum offers remarkable values. The event attracted technicians and educators from around the world for training and accredited certification at a reasonable price. This year's Education Forum brought in people wanting to hone their craft from such places as Australia, Bangladesh, Canada, Federated States of Micronesia, Panama, and Saudi Arabia, in addition to those from many US states.

The industry's most respected training providers led hands-on instruction in subjects leading to ETA certification, including: 5G Technician, Associate Certified Electronics Technician, Distributed Antenna Systems, General Communications Technician – Level 1, Information Technology Specialist (Cybersecurity), Line and Antenna Sweep, Microwave Radio Technician, Passive Intermodulation Testing, Radio Frequency Interference Modulation, R56 Communication Site Installation, and Smart Technology Systems. Expert training providers included instructors from 3D Design and Engineering (TX), Bearcom (TX), Commdex Consulting (GA), Dover Telecommunications Services (UT), Heartland Community College (IL), Tx Rx Systems Inc. (OH), Walker & Associates (TX), and Wharton County Junior College (TX).

Successful professional development opportunities found at the event included such session topics as: Advanced Applied UAV/Drone Use: sUAS for Public Safety; Avoiding Common Fiber Field Problems; Basic Antenna Theory – Converting Electrical Energy into Electromagnetic Energy; DWING, Drone Wars, Interactive Next-Gen Gaming; Evolution of Mount Analysis: Effects of TIA Rev H and TIA-5053; Measuring Transmission Line Quality Prior to and During Installation on Towers; Optical Wireless Communication Demonstrations; RF Exposure Awareness for Communication Technicians; Safety Knowledge/Candy for the Mind; and The Physics of Lightning and How to Protect Communications Sites Through Effective Grounding.

Looking forward to 2020, ETA will once again co-locate Education Forum with IWCE in Las Vegas March 30 to April 3. Bringing this valuable training to technicians at an affordable rate is one way for ETA to honor its professional trade association commitment. Make plans now to attend!

**About ETA** – Since 1978, ETA has delivered over 200,000 certification examinations successfully. Widely recognized and frequently used in worker job selection, hiring processes, pay increases, and advancements, ETA certifications are often required as companies bid on contracts. ETA's certifications are personal and travel with the individual, regardless of employment or status change and measure competencies of persons, not products or vendors. All ETA certifications are accredited through the International Certification Accreditation Council (ICAC) and align with the ISO-17024 standard. [www.eta-i.org](http://www.eta-i.org)

**About Education Forum** – ETA was proud to host hands-on training through outside vendors in popular technology areas related to ETA certification during Education Forum, co-located with the International Wireless Communications Expo, March 4-8, 2019, in Las Vegas, NV. ETA's partners, the industry's most respected trainers, provided in-depth hands-on training in 11 key areas of expertise. Following each training class, ETA provided opportunities to test for ETA certification. [http://www.eta-i.org/education\\_forum.html](http://www.eta-i.org/education_forum.html)

**About International Wireless Communications Expo (IWCE)** - Since 1977, the International Wireless Communications Expo (IWCE) has been the authoritative annual event for communications technology professionals. IWCE features over 370 exhibitors showcasing the latest products and trends in the industry. Over 7,000 individuals attend from a diverse group of industry professionals including government/military, public safety, utility, transportation and business enterprise. IWCE 2019 will be March 4-8, 2019 at the Las Vegas Convention Center. For more information, visit [www.iwceexpo.com](http://www.iwceexpo.com)

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