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## Former Civil Aviation Safety Authority Chairman joins DRONAMICS

*Tony Mathews will strengthen DRONAMICS' stewardship as it prepares for commercial launch*

London – 24 March 2022 - DRONAMICS, the world's leading middle-mile cargo drone developer and operator, has appointed aviation expert Tony Mathews as Strategic Advisor. Mr. Mathews' aviation as well as governance experience will bolster DRONAMICS' preparation for commercial launch and operational scale up in Australia and beyond.

With more than 45 years in the aviation industry, Tony Mathews brings a wealth of regulatory and regional economic expertise, most recently having led the Civil Aviation Safety Authority in Australia as Chairman in 2018-2021. Previously, he has held a number of senior roles including a board member and Deputy Chairman at Airservices Australia, General Manager Aviation for the Royal Flying Doctor Service and General Manager and Chief Pilot for Qantas regional subsidiary Southern Australia Airlines. Mr. Mathews is a qualified commercial and airline transport pilot and will work closely with DRONAMICS CEO and Co-Founder Svilen Rangelov as well as the company's growing team in Australia.

*"Tony is a true industry leader who has built a 360-degree view over his accomplished career and he understands both the big picture and the nuts and bolts of aviation. We are privileged that he shares our ambition to reshape cargo mobility and we believe he will be instrumental in helping us achieve this goal."* – said Svilen Rangelov, CEO and Co-Founder of DRONAMICS.

*"I am excited to play a role in Dronamics' innovative, technology-driven solution. The introduction of drones carrying larger payloads with fast, regular and affordable movement of all types of freight will be a great positive step forward, and will be especially meaningful for communities in Australia. I look forward to working with the team to advance their vision in Australia and beyond."* – said Tony Mathews, Strategic Advisor for DRONAMICS.

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**About DRONAMICS:** Based in London (UK) and Sofia (Bulgaria), DRONAMICS is the world's leading developer and operator of large cargo drones. Its flagship Black Swan is able to carry 350 kg of cargo at a distance of up to 2,500 km at up to 80% lower cost than any aircraft in existence, enabling same-day shipping over very long distances for e-commerce, pharma, perishables and time-critical deliveries. DRONAMICS is founded and funded by leading entrepreneurs and executives in aviation, logistics, and technology from the US, Europe, Africa and Asia, as well as by Founders Factory, Speedinvest and Eleven Capital. The company's fast-growing team includes some of the world's top aerospace and logistics experts and is the winner of numerous awards for innovation, including IATA's Drone Innovation Award. DRONAMICS is IATA's first Strategic Partner for drones worldwide, and has been named by the European Commission as a Top 10 EU-Africa startup.

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