

## **Chris Solan**

Chris has over 25 years of experience in global aviation as a pilot, operations and safety leader, and aerospace engineer. He is a Gulf War veteran with over 3000 hours in military combat, major airline, corporate, and production flight test operations. With a degree in Aeronautical Engineering from MIT, he is an expert at bridging the gap between aviation customers and product developers. Since 2003, he has been an industry pioneer in bringing Flight Data Analysis programs from the airlines to military, business, and general aviation. As a program manager, he led the implementation of the U.S. Air Force Military Flight Operational Quality Assurance (MFOQA) program. As the Director of Flight Operations for an aircraft manufacturer, he pioneered the first ever manufacturer-hosted, FAA-approved Flight Operational Quality Assurance (FOQA) and Aviation Safety Action Programs (ASAP) for business and general aviation customers. Chris currently oversees Product Management with GE Aviation in Austin, Texas, USA, delivering an industry leading, big data analysis platform to support a technology and services product line spanning fuel management, precision-based navigation and safety.