



MEETING ON THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OF AIR TRANSPORT IN AFRICA

Antananarivo, Madagascar
25 – 27 March 2015

PROGRAMME

Tuesday, 24 March

1400–1900 **Registration of participants**

Day 1 — Wednesday, 25 March

0800–1000 **Registration of participants**

1000–1100 **Opening Remarks**

- ◇ **Mr. James Andrianalisoa**, Director, Aviation Civile de Madagascar (ACM)
- ◇ **Dr. Elijah Chingosho**, Secretary General, African Airlines Association (AFRAA)
- ◇ **Mr. Amadou Guitteye**, Director General, Agence pour la Sécurité de la Navigation Aérienne en Afrique et à Madagascar - ASECNA
- ◇ **Mr. Dominique Patry**, Secretary General, Association internationale de transporteurs aériens francophones (ATAF)
- ◇ **Ms. Angela Gittens**, Director General, Airports Council International (ACI)
- ◇ **Dr. Abdulai Alhassan**, President, African Civil Aviation Commission (AFCAC)
- ◇ **Mr. Taleb D. Rifai**, Secretary-General, World Tourism Organization (UNWTO)*
- ◇ **Dr. Elham M. A. Ibrahim**, Commissioner, Infrastructure and Energy, African Union Commission (AUC)
- ◇ **Ms. Fatma Samoura**, Director Resident Coordinator, United Nations
- ◇ **Dr. Olumuyiwa Benard Aliu**, President of the Council, International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)
- ◇ **Mr. Jean Ravelonarivo**, Prime Minister, Madagascar

Nomination of the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson of the meeting

*Speaker to be confirmed

1100–1230 SESSION 1 – Setting the Scene (Panel discussion)

Moderator: **Mr. Boubacar Djibo**, Director, Air Transport Bureau, ICAO

Speakers

- ◇ **Mr. Dominique Patry**, Secretary General, Association internationale de transporteurs aériens francophones (ATAF)
- ◇ **Mrs. Angela Gittens**, Director General, Airports Council International (ACI)
- ◇ **Mr. Raphael Kuuchi**, Vice-President Africa, International Air Transport Association (IATA)
- ◇ **Mrs. Boni Dibate**, Regional Director for Africa, Civil Air Navigation Services Organisation (CANSO)
- ◇ **Mr. François Xavier Randriamahandry**, Chief of Staff, Ministry of Tourism, Transport and Meteorology, Madagascar
- ◇ **Col. Dokisime Gnana Latta**, Chairman, Air Cargo Development in Africa Initiative & Directeur Général de l'Aviation Civile, ANAC Togo
- ◇ **M. S.M. Gaiya**, African Civil Aviation Commission (AFCAC)
- ◇ **African Union Commission (AUC)**

Air transport plays an essential role in the global and regional economy. How can the challenges to growth — such as restrictions on traffic rights and air carrier ownership and control and inadequate funding of infrastructure — be better addressed? How can the benefits of air transport and tourism, related to world connectivity and economic development, be optimized? How does efficiency and productivity of airport and air navigation services impact airline profitability?

Question and Answer Period

1230–1400 Lunch Break

1400–1530 SESSION 2 – Air Transport and Tourism: How to Maximize the Possible Synergies and Why (Panel discussion)

Moderator: **Mr. Dominique Patry**, Secretary General, Association internationale de transporteurs aériens francophones (ATAF)

Speakers:

- ◇ **Mr. Ulrich Andriantiana**, Minister of Tourism, Tourism, Transport and Meteorology, Madagascar
- ◇ **Mr. Marcio Favilla L. de Paula**, Executive Director, World Tourism Organization
- ◇ **Dr. Elijah Chingosho**, Secretary General, African Airlines Association (AFRAA)
- ◇ **Mr. Pascal Komla**, Council Representative Chairman, Airports Council International Afrique (ACI-Africa)
- ◇ **Dr. Kostas Iatrou**, Managing Director, Air Transport News & Administrator, Hermes Air Transport Club
- ◇ **Mr. Raphael Kuuchi**, Vice-President Africa, International Air Transport Association (IATA)
- ◇ **Mrs. Irène Andreas**, President, Women Tourism Association for Madagascar, Former Minister of Tourism, Madagascar

More than half of one billion annual tourists arrive at their destination by air. What synergies do tourism and air transport have in common and how can such synergies be maximized for the benefit of the traveling public? What are the challenges facing both sectors? How can the common issues in policy making and in industry practices be addressed?

Question and Answer Period

1530–1600 **Coffee Break**

1600–1730 **SESSION 3 – Connectivity and Development of Air Transport (Presentations)**

Moderator: **Mr. Vijay Poonoosamy**, Vice-President, International and Public Affairs, Etihad Airways

Speakers:

- ◇ **Dr. Elijah Chingosho**, President, African Airlines Association (AFRAA)
- ◇ **Mr. Lionel Montocchio**, Security Director Civil Aviation- Indian Ocean, France
- ◇ **Mr. Jean-Claude Delen**, Former Président, International Federation of Freight Forwarders Associations (FIATA)
- ◇ **Mr. Eric Koller & Mme Vola Raveloson**, President & Executive Director, National Tourism Office of Madagascar
- ◇ **Mrs. Lilia Mika**, Country Manager Madagascar, Air Mauritius
- ◇ **Mr. Fernand Kouame Amani**, Deputy Director of Air Transport and Legislation, National Civil Aviation Authority, Côte d'Ivoire

What are the best regional practices? How can the flow of passengers be increased so as to improve tourism? How can international traffic be better connected to the destinations? How can airports, regional carriers and local and national governments enhance the connectivity of both the flow of passengers, and air freight. How can the connections of multi-modal transport be enhanced? How well do existing and future technologies facilitate the flow of passengers and air freight? Can global air transport performance be improved through a value-chain approach to State policy-making, legislation and regulation?

Question and Answer Period

1730–1900 **SESSION 4 – Regulatory Responses to Consumer Concerns (Panel discussion)**

Moderator: **Mr. Alain Renaud**, Director General, Air Seychelles

Speakers:

- ◇ **Mr. Pierre Génolini**, Assistant Vice- President International Agreements, Air France
- ◇ **Mrs Mia Wouters**, Chair, Aviation Law Committee, International Bar Association (IBA)
- ◇ **Mr. Haja Raelison**, Director General, Air Madagascar
- ◇ **Mrs. Délia Bergonzi**, Director General, ECTAR
- ◇ **Mr. Frédéric Malaud**, Air Transport Development Manager, ICAO

Flight delays, cancellations, denied boarding and major traffic disruptions have drawn increased public attention to the concerns and rights of passengers. Do security and consumer protection regulations serve the public well? What should governments and industries do in the future to improve the end users' experience as air traffic, trade and tourism grows? How will ICAO's core principles on consumer protection enable the fostering of regulatory convergence on this subject?

Question and Answer Period

1900–2100 **Reception [Location to be confirmed]**

Day 2 — Thursday, 26 March

0845–0900 **Preliminary Remarks**

0900–1030 **SESSION 5 – International Agreements: The Foundation of Balanced Liberalization (Panel discussion)**

Moderator: **Prof. Pablo Mendes de Leon**, Professor of Air and Space Law & Director of the International Institute of Air and Space Law, Leiden University

Speakers:

- ◇ **Mr. Kamel Ben Miled**, Director General, Civil Aviation, Tunisia
- ◇ **Mr. Moustapha Abakar**, Deputy Director, Autorité de l'Aviation Civile, Tchad
- ◇ **Mr. Pierre Génolini**, Vice- President International Agreements, Air France
- ◇ **Mr. Rigobert Tina Rakotoarinirina**, Secretary General, Ministry of Tourism, Transport and Meteorology, Madagascar
- ◇ **Mr. Cheick Tidiane Camara**, Président du Conseil de Surveillance (PCA), ECTAR
- ◇ **Mr. Henry Rabary-Njaka**, CEO, Air Madagascar
- ◇ **African Union Commission (AUC)**

The international air transport community now has a clear objective of working towards international agreements for the liberalization of market access and air carrier ownership and control. What are the prospects for such agreements? What has ICAO done to facilitate the development of such agreements? How can States and aviation stakeholders cooperate and support such initiatives? Can regional/plurilateral approaches provide an impetus for global liberalization?

Question and Answer Period

1030–1100 **Lunch Break**

1100–1230 **SESSION 6 – The Impact of Taxes and Charges on Air Transport Development (Presentations)**

Moderator: **Mr. Clarisse Douan**, Director, Patrimoine Aéroportuaire, Civil Aviation of Madagascar

Speakers:

- ◇ **Mr. Andriamihafy Herison**, Director General, Madagascar Airports (ADEMA)
- ◇ **Mr. Amadou Ousmane Guitteye**, Director General, Agency for Aerial Navigation Safety in Africa and Madagascar (ASECNA)
- ◇ **Mr. Philippe Villard**, Manager airport charges, IATA
- ◇ **Mrs. June Crawford**, CEO, Board of Airline Representatives of South Africa (BARSA)
- ◇ **Mrs. Eléonore Johasy**, Former Executive Director, Groupement des Entreprises Franches et Partenaires, Madagascar
- ◇ **Mr. Tiana Rasamimanana**, Cabinet Minister, Madagascar & and Former Director General , GS Handling Madagascar

The terms *proliferation of taxes, charges, surcharges* and *fees* have been heard many times. Is there a need for a better way to communicate information on taxes and charges to the end users? What principles can be implemented to ensure that information provided to users is clear, precise and complete? Are the security costs in excess of the safety services provided?

Question and Answer Period

*Speaker to be confirmed

1230–1400 Coffee Break

1400–1530 SESSION 7 – Tools for Better regulation (Panel discussion)

Moderator: **Dokisime Gnana Latta**, Director General, National Civil Aviation Administration, Togo

Speakers:

- ◇ **Dr. Paul-Antoine Marie Ganemtoré**, Director of Air Transport Projects, Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS)
- ◇ **Mr. Chris Zweigenthal**, Chief Executive, Airlines Association of Southern Africa (AASA)
- ◇ **Mr. Dev R. Erriah**, Barrister at Law, Mauritius
- ◇ **Mr. Gal Raveloarison Herilanto**, Minister of Economy and Planning, Madagascar
- ◇ **Mr. James Andrianalisoa**, Director General, Civil Aviation, Madagascar (ACM)

What are the operational, commercial, and legal challenges associated with having different regulatory regimes applicable to air transport, such as consumer protection, technical standards for safety, security and facilitation? Does the traditional silo approach to industry governance still work for an air transport system that is global in nature? How will ICAO's activities in the area of fair competition foster the emergence of a more unified understanding of competition in international air transport?

Question and Answer Period

1600–1800 Draft Declaration on the Sustainable Development of Air Transport in Africa – Discussion

1800–1810 Conclusions

1900–2200 Gala Dinner Reception

Day 3 — Friday, 27 March

1030–1230 Draft Declaration on the Sustainable Development of Air Transport in Africa – Discussion & Adoption

1230–1400 Lunch Break

**1400–1500 Closing Ceremony
Press Conference**

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