

ECAC/EU DIALOGUE

with the European air transport industry

Flying sustainably — from buzz to reality

Valencia, 24-25 October 2023

Provisional programme

Monday, 23 October 2023

19:30-21:30 **Welcome cocktail reception**

Tuesday, 24 October 2023

08:00 *Registration and coffee*

09:00 **Welcome and opening**

David Benito, Director General of Civil Aviation, Ministry of Transport, Mobility and Urban Agenda, Spain

Alessio Quaranta, President of ECAC

Filip Cornelis, Director Aviation, DG MOVE, European Commission

09:30 **Handover by the master of ceremonies**

Andrew Charlton, Managing Director, Aviation Advocacy

Session I: Social sustainability of the sector - meeting social expectations	
09:35	Introductory remarks by the moderator Øyvind Ek, Deputy Director General, Ministry of Transport, Norway
09:40	Witness statement Josef Maurer, Head of Operations, Equalities and Central and Eastern Europe , European Transport Workers' Federation
09:50 – 11:00	Part I – Needs and expectations for social sustainability and resilience
	Panel debate
Topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• What is social sustainability?• Which issues does it raise in an aviation context? What are the expectations from aviation stakeholders?• Where are the challenges relating to social impacts (for employers, employees, authorities and consumers)?• How can these issues be addressed for long-term sustainability of the aviation sector?
Panellists:	Jane Hoskisson , Director, Talent, Learning, Engagement and Diversity, IATA Damien Cazé , Director General of Civil Aviation, France Alejandra Cruz Ross , Transport Specialist, International Labour Organization Gema Martín Egea , Director of Security and Services, AENA
	Open forum discussion and wrap up by moderator
11:00 - 11:30	<i>Refreshment break</i>
11:30 – 12:45	Part II – Initiatives and actions being taken to increase social sustainability
	Introductory remarks by the master of ceremonies Andrew Charlton, Managing Director, Aviation Advocacy
	Presentations: Flor Diaz Pulido , Head of Aviation Policy Unit, DG MOVE, European Commission Towards equitable skies: fostering social sustainability and gender equality in aviation Dominic Weeks , Head of External Affairs & Marketing, ZeroAvia Skills shortages in the context of upskilling for innovative technologies
	Open forum discussion and wrap-up by master of ceremonies
12:45 – 14:00	<i>Lunch</i>

Session 2: Creating the conditions for environmental sustainability

14:00	Introductory remarks by the moderator Elisabeth Landrichter , Director General for Civil Aviation, Ministry for Climate Action, Environment, Energy, Mobility, Innovation and Technology
14:05	Witness statement Pedro Piris-Cabezas , Senior Director, Global Transportation and Lead Senior Economist, Environmental Defense Fund Personal perspective of environmental sustainability in aviation
14:15 – 15:30	Part I – Environmental trends making progress and disrupting the aviation sector Panel debate Topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Which trends are making progress with tangible results?• Which trends are yet to be fully proven or have fallen behind others over the past three (two?) years?• Will disrupters and new entrants create the sector’s sustainable future, or will existing actors make the real difference with their evolving practices?• Are regulatory and policy frameworks keeping up with the drive in new technologies for environmental sustainability? Panellists: Amy Ruddock , Vice President Europe and Middle East, Carbon Engineering Ltd Simon McNamara , Director, Government and Industry Affairs, Heart Aerospace Marylin Bastin , Head, Aviation Sustainability Unit, EUROCONTROL Open forum discussion and wrap-up by moderator
15:30 – 16:00	Refreshment break
16:00 – 17:15	Part II – Pioneering environmental initiatives and testbeds Introductory remarks by the master of ceremonies Andrew Charlton , Managing Director, Aviation Advocacy Presentations: Ourania Georgoutsakou , Managing Director, Airlines for Europe (A4E), on behalf of the Destination 2050 partners (A4E, ACI EUROPE, ASD, CANSO Europe, ERA) Destination 2050 and the Toulouse Declaration: a route to net zero Paolo Nasetti , Deputy Chief Operating Officer, ENAV Approaches to achieving environmental sustainability Andreas Aks , Chief Executive Officer, Widerøe Zero Environmental testbeds for innovative technologies research and development Michiel Van Dorst , Europe Chair, CANSO, and Chief Executive Officer, Air Traffic Control the Netherlands (LVNL) Green ATM, the CANSO environmental accreditation scheme

Open forum discussion and wrap-up by master of ceremonies

Close of Day One

Evening

Gala dinner

Wednesday, 25 October 2023

08:15

Registration and coffee

09:00

Opening by the master of ceremonies

Andrew Charlton, Managing Director, Aviation Advocacy

Session 3:

Economic sustainability – is the sector economically viable?

09:10

Introductory remarks by the moderator

Johann Friedrich Colsman, Director General of Civil Aviation, Federal Ministry for Digital and Transport, Germany

09:15

Witness statement

Fernando Candela, Chief Executive Officer, Iberia
Sustainability challenges from the perspective of a major airline

09:25 – 10:35

Part I – How to balance connectivity with sustainability requirements

Panel debate

Topics:

- How much connectivity is too much and not economically viable?
- Is the sustainability focus actually making it harder for isolated communities and businesses to connect?
- Will environmental sustainability requirements make us less globally connected?

Panellists:

Jón Gunnar Jónsson, Director General of Civil Aviation, Icelandic Transport Authority

Oliver Jankovec, Director General, ACI EUROPE

Jan Malawko, Assistant Professor, Warsaw University

Marcela Braga Anselmi, Head of the International and Environmental Office, National Civil Aviation Agency, Brazil

Open forum discussion and wrap-up by moderator

10:35 – 11:05

Refreshment break

11:05 – 12:15

Part II – Where the investment is, and where it needs to be to promote sustainability

Panel debate

- Topics:**
- Where are investments being made and by which industry players?
 - Are investments taking us closer to sustainability goals?
 - Are the right investments being made by the aviation sector and other actors?
 - Who is financing investment in aviation's future sustainability? And why?

Panellists:

Donal Handley, Head of Government Affairs, AerCap

Marco Troncone, Chief Executive Officer, Aeroporti di Roma

James Falzon, Associate Director Sustainable Infrastructure, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)

Hedwig Sietsma, Director Sustainability, KLM Royal Dutch Airlines

Open forum discussion and wrap-up by moderator

12:15

Closing session

Dialogue conclusions and close

Alessio Quaranta, President of ECAC

Filip Cornelis, Director Aviation, DG MOVE, European Commission

12:35

Close of Dialogue

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