



Air Traffic Management - EUROCONTROL

During a meeting held in in FCO on June 20th , EUROCONTROL Officials warned the Airline and Airports Associations of the critical summer peak ahead.

EUROCONTROL also illustrated some mitigation measures pointing out that fragmentation in the EU ATM System continues to hinder the network.

Meeting with EU Commission for Transport (DG MOVE)

On July 23rd , IBAR , ASSAEREO and ASSAEROPORTI met EU DG MOVE Officials to discuss :

- EU Regulation 261 2004 on passenger rights
- Alternative Dipute Resolutions (ADR)
- PRM Passengers with reduced mobility

During the meeting , IBAR stressed once again the excessive burdens and costs borne by the Carriers for passenger assistance even in cases completely outside their control.

Regulated Charges 2019-2022 for FLR Airport

The consultation procedure came to an end on July 25th.

All the costs relating to the new runway/terminal project , currently suspended following an Administrative Judge decision , were excluded from the charges proposal.

In exchange for a positive vote, the users negotiated a two months' deferment in the applicability of the new charges, with a cumulative saving of approximately € 600.000.

National Airspace Strategy (NAS)

Following up on the previous meeting of February, the IATA-led working group reconvened again on July 31st.

The NAS forum is primarily focused on engaging Institutions and stakeholders to promote facilitation measures for the Air Transport sector.

National forum on Air Cargo

On June 18th, answering after a long spell of inactivity to the requests of the various stakeholders , the Ministry of Transport reconvened the National Forum on Air Cargo.

Within the framework of the Forum , the Airlines and their Associations pleaded again to enhance the digitization of the sector by promoting the penetration of the e-AWB

Presentation of the independent report on Air Cargo

On May 21st , the Ernst & Young Report on Air Cargo , commissioned by the "Cluster Cargo Aereo " (IBAR , ASSAEREO , ANAMA and ASSOHANDLERS) was officially presented to an audience of 400+ Air Cargo executives and professionals.

ANAMA Meeting on the e-Awb

On June 25th , continuing in the efforts to enhance the penetration of e-AWB , IBAR participated (also on behalf of IATA) in a seminar organized by

the Cargo Agents' Association in Milan , with an audience of more than 100 participants.

Extension of the ART scope

On May 3rd, with the introduction of Law 37 , the scope of Authority for Transport Regulation's oversight was extended to include the ROM , MIL and VCE Airports , previously assigned to ENAC. ENAC will retain its role of technical authority.

The Air Transport Associations welcomed this long-awaited decision as it aligns Italy with the EU Regulation prescribing that economic regulation for Airports be carried out by an Independent Authority.

New Minister of Transport

On September 5th , in the wake of a major Government reshuffle brought about by a change in the Parliamentary coalitions , Mrs Paola De Micheli (Partito Democratico) took over the post of Minister of Transport from the outgoing Mr Danilo Toninelli (Movimento 5 Stelle).

Pisa handlers' limitation

On April 16th , ENAC published a decision limiting the number of ground handlers operating at Pisa airport to a maximum of 2.

Linate Handlers' limitation

On September 16th , ENAC published a decision limiting the number of ground handlers operating at Linate Airport to :
2 for commercial aviation (namely Airport Handling SpA and Aviapartner handling SpA)
2 self-producers

VCE handler's limitation

On April 5th , the Venice Administrative Tribunal confirmed the outcome of the bidding process for the adjudication of the 2 ground handling licences to Messrs Aviation Service and GH Venezia.

MXP handlers' Limitation

On June 5th , ENAC published a decision by which the number of ground handling providers operating at Malpensa Airport will be limited to :
3 for commercial aviation (pax and cargo)
3 self-producers

LIN closure

On July 27th , Linate Airport was closed to commercial traffic for major runway/terminal reconstruction works.

The bulk of the traffic was transferred to Malpensa (and partly to Bergamo) , which in August alone registered a 33% increase in its traffic volume.

Several delays/disservices were experienced , mostly due to shortage of ground handling resources.

Linate will reopen on October 27th.

BLQ Airport charges 2020

On September 12th , IBAR participated in the public audition on the 2020 charges proposal for BLQ Airport.

Several requests for clarifications were submitted during the meeting and most of the replies were either vague or limited to a claim of the strict adherence of the proposal to the model.

The Authority is still checking the details of the Airport's proposal.

Emilia-Romagna – Regional Tax on Aircraft Noise Emissions (IRESA)

Emilia Romagna announced the introduction of an aircraft noise tax (IRESA) as of January 1st , 2020.

Fast track at BLQ Airport

On September 9th , prompted by an IBAR complaint submitted in coordination with the local Users' Committee, ART opened an investigation with regard to the possibly

discriminatory access to the fast track lane currently applied at BLQ Airport.

The publication of the Authority's findings is expected by the end of October.

ART Models

On August 1st, the long awaited ART resolution with the draft proposal of the models to be used for setting the charges of the Italian Airports was published on the Authority's website.

IBAR, in close cooperation with IATA and A4E, appointed a team of Transport Economists to analyse the proposed formulas and produced a set of joint observations on such topics as :

- Airport market power
- Efficiency parameters
- Contribution from commercial activities
- Consultation procedures
- Airport SLAs

Link to the relevant documentation (partly in English) :

<https://www.autorita-trasporti.it/consultazioni/consultazione-pubblica-per-la-revisione-dei-modelli-di-regolazione-dei-diritti-aeroportuali-approvati-con-delibera-n-92-2017/>

The final version of the new Model will probably see the light by the end of 2019.

Arrivals & Departures



We say goodbye to :

Mr Yoav Weiss – EL AL
Mr. Richard Di Girolamo – DL
Mr. Teck Hui Wong – SQ
Mr. Jeff Tsai - CI

And welcome :

Mrs Carla D' Orazio – EL AL Country Manager
Mr. Frederick Schenk – DL Regional Manager
Sales South Europe
Mr. Stephane Vanovermeir – AF KLM General
Manager
Mr. Dale Woodhouse – SQ General Manager
Mr. Deeper Wu – CI Italy General Manager