# EUROPEAN AIR LAW ASSOCIATION

# 5<sup>TH</sup> MUNICH LIABILITY SEMINAR

LIABILITY, INSURANCE AND CLAIMS HANDLING
IN THE AIRLINE AND AEROSPACE INDUSTRIES

Munich, Monday 19 September 2005 Kempinski Hotel - Airport Munich Liability developments, claims handling, lawyers' fees and the reduction in aviation claims activity are the focus of the 5th MUNICH LIABILITY SEMINAR of the EUROPEAN AIR LAW ASSOCIATION (EALA). Leading experts will present and discuss issues of concern to the airline, aerospace and aviation insurance industries as well as to aviation lawyers in private practice. Prominent moderators will chair the sessions of four panels:

- The first panel will provide an update on activities of ICAO, IATA and AEA in the field of air carrier liability.
- Another panel will discuss matters of great significance to the international aviation bar: recent measures
  introduced by buyers of legal services to control lawyers' fees and the implications of the very low rate of
  aviation claims over the last four years.
- The third panel will deal with recent developments in the area of product liability (including issues of
  jurisdiction, e.g. forum non conveniens, and conflict of laws). The panel will also discuss how aerospace
  manufacturers can protect themselves against loss of reputation as a result of product liability claims.
- The closing panel will provide a global view of claims handling activities.

We invite all aviation lawyers, airline, insurance industry, aerospace and government officials to join us for this comprehensive programme.

The one-day format and the timing of the very successful first four LIABILITY SEMINARS have been retained in order to allow the delegates to travel to and from Munich the same day from most places in Europe. The venue is again the fabulous Kempinski Hotel Airport Munich, a few steps away from the gates of the Munich Airport, a young and extremely dynamic airport which was named the best airport in Europe in a recent survey. You are cordially invited to attend the Conference Dinner on Sunday evening, 18 September 2005 (not included in the registration fee).

Please book at your earliest convenience as the Liability Seminar coincides with the Munich Oktoberfest.

EALA is grateful to Munich Airport for again contributing generously towards the costs of the seminar.



# SUNDAY, 18 SEPTEMBER 2005

CONFERENCE DINNER

19:15 Cocktail reception

20:00 **Dinner** 

Dinner Speaker: Harold Caplan, Quadrant Chambers, London

### Monday, 19 September 2005

### LIABILITY SEMINAR

09:00 – 10:00 Registration, refreshments

Panellists:

10:00 - 10:20 Welcome Address: Professor P. D. Dagtoglou, President of EALA

Introduction: Dr. P. Nikolai Ehlers, Ehlers, Ehlers & Partner,

Munich - Berlin

Opening Remarks: Dr. Michael Kerkloh, CEO and President of Munich Airport

10:20 – 11:15 Update on the Activities of International Organisations regarding Liability

Moderator: Ni

Nicholas Hughes, Partner, Barlow Lyde & Gilbert, London Nathalie Herbelles, Manager Legal Analysis, AEA, Brussels

Udai P. N. Fulena, Senior Legal Counsel, IATA, Geneva

Dr. Ludwig Weber, Consultant, ICAO, Montreal

11:15 - 11:25 **Discussion** 

11:25 - 11:45 Coffee, tea

11:45 – 12:20 <u>Lawyers' Fees, Recent Measures to Control them and the Implications of the</u>

Reduction in Aviation Claims Activity

**Moderator:** 

Neil McGilchrist, former Chairman, Beaumont and Son,

London (now incorporated with Clyde & Co)

**Panellists:** 

Cor Brouwer, former Senior Partner, Van Traa, Rotterdam

John Larkins, Senior Claims Adjuster, ACE European Group,

London

12:20 - 12:30 **Discussion** 

12:35 - 14:05 Lunch

14:10 – 15:05 Aerospace Product Liability in Europe and in the U.S., and Ways to Protect

Manufacturers against Loss of Reputation

**Moderator:** 

Dr. Wolf Müller-Rostin, General Counsel, DELVAG Aviation

Insurance, Cologne

**Panellists:** 

Mark Franklin, Partner, DLA Piper Rudnick Gray Cary,

London

*Tim Harrington,* General Counsel, Lycoming Engines, Williamsport and Deputy General Counsel – Litigation,

Bell Helicopter, Ft. Worth

Richard Hauser, Partner, Booz Allen Hamilton, Munich

15:05 - 15:15 **Discussion** 

15:15 – 15:35 Coffee, tea

15:35 – 16:50 Claims Handling Developments around the World

**Moderator:** 

Randal R. Craft, Jr., Partner, Holland & Knight, New York Noboru Kosaka, Tokio Marine & Nichido Fire Insurance,

Panellists: Noboru Nagoya

Russell M. Mirabile, Senior VP, Director of Claims, U.S.

Aviation Underwriters, New York (tbc)

Alexandra Rodina, Assistant Solicitor, Beaumont and Son,

London (now incorporated with Clyde & Co)

Hans Thor, former In-house Counsel, Deutscher Luftpool and

Allianz Marine & Aviation, Munich

16:50 – 17:00 **Discussion** 

17:00 – 17:10 Closing remarks: *Professor Dagtoglou* and *Dr. Ehlers* 

17:10 – 18:30 **Cocktail reception** 

### **CONFERENCE VENUE**

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### REGISTRATIONS AND ENQUIRIES

The closing date for registrations is 1 September 2005, although the organisers may, at their discretion, accept later reservations. Acceptance of registrations is conditional upon availability of space.

Registrations may be made by completing the enclosed form and sending it to the:

European Air Law Association c/o Dr. P. Nikolai Ehlers Ehlers, Ehlers & Partner Widenmayerstrasse 29 80538 Munich, Germany Phone: +49/89/2109 690

Phone: +49/89/2109 690 Fax: +49/89/2109 6999

No registrations will be accepted without payment. Upon payment we will send you a registration confirmation.

### **REGISTRATION FEE**

Seminar (including lunch, coffee and tea breaks, cocktail reception): EUR 490 for members (as of 1 September 2005) EUR 590 for non-members

Please note that the reduced registration fee for members is available only to those who have become paidup members or whose companies/organisations have become paid-up corporate members for 2005 by 1 September 2005.

Payment may be made, please, in either of the following ways (in order of preference)

- Direct transfer to the following bank account, identifying the name of the attendee:

Bank: Deutsche Bank AG, Promenadeplatz 15, D-80333 Munich, Germany

Account no.: 166 2709 (sort code: 700 700 24, IBAN: DE97 7007 0024 0166 2709 00

BIC: DEUTDEDBMUC)

Holder of account: Dr. P. Nikolai Ehlers (re: European Air Law Association)

In case of bank transfer, please make sure that any banking fees charged by the bank in your country or by the bank in Germany will be borne by you.

- Cheque drawn on a German bank.

### CONFERENCE DINNER

All delegates are invited to attend the Conference Dinner. It will take place on Sunday, 18 September 2005. Drinks will be served at 19:15 and dinner at 20:00 in the Atrium of the Kempinski Hotel Airport Munich. EUR 95 will be charged per person for the Conference Dinner (including drinks).

### HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

A limited number of rooms for the nights 18/19 and 19/20 September 2005 has been reserved at the Kempinski Hotel Airport Munich (address and communication details see above at "Conference Venue") at a reduced rate of EUR 167 per night (single or double occupancy, not including breakfast). Bookings should be made directly with the hotel (via phone, fax, e-mail or internet) and reference should be made to: EAE050918. The deadline for this offer is 1 September 2005, but booking as early as possible is highly recommended.

### CANCELLATION / CHANGES

Cancellations can be accepted up to 1 September 2005, subject to deduction of EUR 80 to cover administration and overheads. Cancellations should be notified to EALA at the address given above (fax: +49/89/2109 6999). No refunds will be given for any cancellation received after 1 September 2005. The name of the delegate may be changed at any time before commencement of the Seminar at no extra charge.

# PROGRAMME CONTENT

The language of the Seminar will be English. While every effort will be made to maintain the programme as described, the Association reserves the right to alter the content or the names of the speakers without advance notice.