## EUROPEAN AIR LAW ASSOCIATION

# 18<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CONFERENCE

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN EUROPEAN AIR TRANSPORT LAW AND POLICY

Paris
Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2006
Cercle de l'Union Interalliée

### EUROPEAN AIR LAW ASSOCIATION 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference

2006 has been an interesting year for the airline industry with a definite upturn in the market compared to the previous very difficult years.

2006 has seen important developments in Europe in respect of emissions trading, state aid regulation, blacklisting of airlines and further developments in respect of denied boarding. These developments may at times be at odds with general provisions of international law. The European Air Law Association therefore will devote time to analyse these issues at the conference.

Air France and the merger with KLM and generally the present state of aviation in France are natural topics to discuss in Paris.

Important cases in competition law have surfaced in 2006. At the conference the delegates will have the opportunity to catch up with the newest developments.

External relationships – in particular between the EU and the US – will hopefully be further clarified in 2006 and the delegates will benefit from an analysis thereof.

Airport privatization is coming up to speed in Europe and elsewhere. Learn more about the trends, the impediments and the future prospects. Other current airport issues will also be discussed.

The conference will be held in exquisite premises near Champs-Elysées. You should not miss the opportunity to be updated on the airline industry and its legal regime, to visit Paris and to use the annual conference as an excellent venue for networking.

The Association is much indebted to Air France for its generous sponsorship of the Paris meeting.





THURSDAY 9TH NOVEMBER 2006

CONFERENCE DINNER

19:00 Cocktail Reception and Dinner

**Dinner Address** 

Mr. Robert Esperou, former Director General of Civil Aviation, France

#### FRIDAY 10TH NOVEMBER 2006

#### CONFERENCE

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08:00 -	09:00	Registration

#### 09:00 – 09:15 **Opening Address**

Professor P. D. Dagtoglou, President of the Association.

#### 09:15 – 09:45 Key note addresses, Aviation in France

Mr. Michel Wachenheim, Directeur Général of the French Civil Aviation. Introduction by Jacqueline Dutheil de la Rochère, professeur à l'Université Panthéon-Assas Paris II.

#### 09:45 – 11:10 The interface between international law and EU law

Moderator: Judge Gilbert Gillaume.

Panellists: Andreas Hardemann, Head, Environment Department, IATA. Emissions

trading.

Tewodros Tamrat, Director Corporate & Industry Affairs, African

Airlines Association. The blacklisting of airlines.

John Balfour, Partner, Beaumont & Son Aviation at Clyde & Co.,

London. Denied boarding.

#### 11:10 - 11:30 Coffee/tea

#### 11:30 – 12:45 The merger between Air France and KLM

Mr. Jean-Marc Bardy, Directeur des Affaires Juridiques à Air France/KLM.

#### 12:45 – 14:00 Lunch

#### 14:00 – 15:30 Current competition law issues

Moderator: Trevor Soames, Partner, Howrey LLP.

Panellists: Nikolai von Ruckteschell, Senior VP and General Counsel, Lufthansa.

Michael Whitaker, Senior VP Alliances, International and Regulatory

Affairs, United Airlines.

Maria da Cunha, Head of Legal and Government Affairs, British

Airways.

Prof. Piet Jan Slot, Professor Leiden University.

Linsey McCallum, Head of Unit, Transport Unit, Directorate D, DG

Competition.

Geert Goeteyn, Partner, Howrey LLP.

#### 15:30 - 15:45 Coffee/tea

#### 15:45 – 16:30 External relations of the EU

Mr. Daniel Calleja, Director Air Transport, EC Commission.

#### 16:30 – 17:45 Airport privatization and other current airport issues

Moderator: Mr. Roy Griffins, former Director General of ACI.

Panellists: Carlene V. McIntyre, Chief, Opinions and Appeals of the Law

Department of the New York and New Jersey Port Authority. Henrik Lind, Partner, Gorrissen Federspiel Kierkegaard.

#### 17:45 – 18:00 President's closing remarks

Professor P. D. Dagtoglou, President of the Association.

#### 18:00 – 18:30 Cocktail Reception

#### Drinks Reception and Dinner, Thursday 9th November 2006

Speakers and delegates are invited to a drinks reception and dinner to commence at 7:30 pm at **Cercle de l'Union Interalliée**, 33 rue du Faubourg Saint Honoré, F-75008 Paris. The charge for the dinner is included in the conference fee, However, if a speaker or delegate wishes to bring a companion, a payment of GBP 60 will be required.

#### CONFERENCE VENUE

Cercle de l'Union Interalliée, 33 Rue du Faubourg Saint Honoré, F-75008 Paris, telephone: + 33 1 4265 9606, telefax: +33 1 4268 1084.

#### REGISTRATION FEE

The conference fee to include dinner, drinks and lunch is GBP 450 for members (as at 15<sup>th</sup> October 2006) and GBP 550 for non-members. The 2006 membership fee is GBP 25 for individuals and GBP 75 for companies/firms.

Students - Air law students will by special application to the Treasurer be able to participate in the annual conference for a reduced fee of GBP 200. The number of students will be limited to 10. Those who are admitted to participate in the conference shall complete and submit the registration form and pay the reduced conference fee as per payment instructions set out below.

#### HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

A limited number of rooms have been reserved at special rates at the following hotels: Le Faubourg-Paris Sofitel, 15, rue Boissy d'Anglais, 75008 Paris, telephone: +33 1 4494 1414, telefax: +33 1 4494 1428, e-mail: H1295@accor.com. The rate is EUR 295 for a double room and EUR 240 for a single room per night.

Rooms are available on a first come first served basis and bookings should be made directly with the hotel as soon as possible by referring to the European Air Law Association Conference.

Furthermore, as alternatives can be recommended Hotel Castiglione, 40, rue de Fbg. St. Honoré, 75008 Paris, telephone: +33 1 4494 2525, telefax: +33 1 4265 1227, e-mail: resa@castiglionehold.com or Hotel d'Argenson, 15, rue d'Argenson, telephone: +33 1 4265 1687, telefax: +33 1 4742 0206, e-mail: hoteldargenson@aol.com. No block bookings have been made at these hotels so delegates are urged to make their own, individual reservations.

#### CANCELLATIONS/CHANGES

The closing date for reservations is 24<sup>th</sup> October 2006, although the organizers may, at their discretion, accept later reservations. Cancellations can be accepted up to 30<sup>th</sup> October 2006, subject to deduction of GBP 75 to cover administration. Thereafter there will be no refund. Cancellations should be notified to Mr. Nikolai Ehlers at the address provided. The name of the delegate may be changed at any time before commencement of the conference.

#### PROGRAMME CONTENT

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

#### LAW SOCIETY CPD

The conference has been approved by the Law Society of England and Wales for the purposes of Continuous Professional Development credits under reference BXK/EALA.