

EUROPEAN AIR LAW ASSOCIATION



11TH MUNICH LIABILITY SEMINAR

Liability, insurance and re-insurance, passenger rights, drones and litigation in the air transport industry

Munich, Friday 28th April 2017
Hilton Hotel at Munich Airport

EUROPEAN AIR LAW ASSOCIATION (EALA) 11TH MUNICH LIABILITY SEMINAR

EALA is pleased to invite you to attend its 11th Munich Liability Seminar which will be held in the Hilton Hotel at Munich Airport.

Ever since the series of Munich Liability Seminars was started by EALA in 1997 liability developments and claims handling in the air transport and aerospace industries were the focus of these conferences, presented and discussed by leading experts and prominent moderators.

The 11th Munich Liability Seminar will again cover a wide range of topical issues:

- Regulation 261/2004: This panel will provide an update on online claims handling and purchasing, airline management of passenger rights claims, and litigation involving Reg. 261/2004 in non-EU jurisdictions (Switzerland and the U.S.)
- The second panel will deal with aviation litigation strategies, particularly from a jurisdictional point of view, which is of great significance currently in the Germanwings case. The pros and cons of arbitration being used for the resolution of policy disputes will be examined as well as the admissibility of technical aviation accident reports as evidence.
- The third panel will take a closer look at significant airport and ground handling developments: The recent German decision regarding the non-enforceability of the limitation of liability under the IATA Standard Ground Handling Agreement, the system used at Japanese airports to determine and allocate liability for damage to property on the ground caused by objects fallen from aircraft and liability issues involving airports in the Middle East including the U.S. electronics ban for Middle East flights.
- Best practices in handling aviation insurance claims.
- The final panel concluding the 11th Munich Liability Seminar will deal with current developments concerning the very dynamic sector of drones. The speakers will address liability and insurance as well as regulatory and enforcement issues.

We invite all aviation lawyers, airline, insurance and reinsurance industry, aircraft finance, airport and aerospace industry representatives as well as government officials and academics to join us for this comprehensive programme.

The one-day format and the timing of the very successful ten liability seminars to date 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 as always the award winning Hilton Munich Airport, a few steps away from the gates of Munich Airport, a young and dynamic airport with continuously high rankings in international airport surveys.

You are cordially invited to attend the conference dinner on Thursday evening, 27th April 2017. The dinner will take place at the aviation museum "Flugwerft Schleissheim" and will be preceded by a guided tour of the museum or - for those that are interested in a very unique experience - by the rare opportunity of a Zeppelin NT airship flight over Munich.



PROGRAMME

THURSDAY 27th April 2017

CONFERENCE DINNER

Flugwerft Schleissheim (Aviation Museum)

18:30

Departure of all dinner participants by coach from the Hilton Hotel Munich Airport (there will be a meeting point in the lobby of the hotel near the main entrance)

19:15

Guided tour of the aviation museum or 40 minutes flight over Munich with the Zeppelin NT airship

20:30

DINNER

Dinner speech: [Randal R. Craft Jr.](#), Holland & Knight, New York: "The Hindenburg crash and its aftermath on its 80th anniversary" (after the dinner a coach will take all dinner participants back to the Hilton Hotel Munich Airport)

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FRIDAY 28th April 2017

LIABILITY SEMINAR

Hilton Hotel Munich Airport

10:00 – 10:10

WELCOME ADDRESS

[Pablo Mendes de Leon](#), president of EALA, professor of air and space law, University of Leiden

INTRODUCTION

[P. Nikolai Ehlers](#), Ehlers Ehlers & Partners, Munich

10:10 – 11:40

Regulation 261/2004 – Current issues

MODERATOR

[Robert Lawson](#), Clyde & Co, London

PANELLISTS

[Oskar de Felice](#), Flightright, Potsdam
[Michael Hochstrasser](#), Schiller Rechtsanwälte, Winterthur
[Elizabeth Hichens](#), British Airways, London
[Sarah Gogal Passeri](#), Holland & Knight, New York

11:40 – 12:00

 Coffee/tea break

12:00 – 13:20

Aviation litigation strategy

MODERATOR

[Randal R. Craft Jr.](#), Holland & Knight, New York

PANELLISTS

[Marc S. Moller](#), Kreindler & Kreindler, New York
[Robert Ricketts](#), Holland & Knight, London
[Mark Waters](#), Holman Fenwick Willan, London

13:20 – 14:35

LUNCH

14:35 – 15:55

Airport and ground handling developments

MODERATOR

[Giuseppe Guerreri](#), Studio Legale Guerreri, Rome

PANELLISTS

[Natsuyuki Furumai](#), Tokio Marine & Nichido Fire Insurance Co., Tokyo
[Wolf Müller-Rostin](#), Ehlers, Ehlers & Partners, Bonn
[Anthony Frances](#), associated with Gateley, Dubai

15:55 – 16:20

Best practices in aviation claims handling

SPEAKER

[Ulla Norrhäll](#), Munich Re, Munich

16:20 – 16:35

 Coffee/tea break

16:35 – 17:50

Drones – Liability, insurance, regulatory framework and enforcement

MODERATOR

[Sigmar Stadlmeier](#), Johannes Kepler University, Linz

PANELLISTS

[Tobias Messerschmidt](#), Delvag Insurance, Cologne
[Alison Slater](#), CAA, London
[Representative of LBA](#), Braunschweig (invited)

17:50 – 18:00

CLOSING REMARKS

[Pablo Mendes de Leon](#) and [P. Nikolai Ehlers](#)

18:00 – 18:30

COCKTAIL RECEPTION

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

CONFERENCE DINNER, THURSDAY 27TH APRIL 2017

All delegates are invited to attend the Conference Dinner at the Flugwerft Schleissheim (Aviation Museum) in Oberschleissheim, Ferdinand-Schulz-Allee, near Munich. A coach will take the dinner participants to the Flugwerft Schleissheim for an exclusive guided tour of the museum followed by a dinner there. All dinner participants have to be at the meeting point in the lobby of the Hilton Hotel Munich Airport in time for a departure at 18:30 (sharp) on Thursday, 27th April 2017. EUR 95 will be charged per person for the Conference Dinner including drinks, entrance fee for the museum, the guided tour and coach transportation.

ZEPPELIN NT FLIGHT, THURSDAY 27TH APRIL 2017

The conference dinner coincides with the annual visit of the Zeppelin NT airship to Munich. At the same time as the guided tour of the aviation museum there will be an exclusive flight of 40 minutes over Munich which will take-off from the museum airfield. Those delegates that are interested can book the flight at cost price of EUR 365. As the Zeppelin NT airship has a limited capacity of 11 passengers, the tickets will be sold on a first come-first serve basis. Please indicate in the registration form, if you are interested in this unique opportunity to make a flight that is beyond compare.

Once the maximum of 11 passengers has been reached, the respective delegates will be informed. Please do not pay for this flight until you will have been requested to do so.

CONFERENCE VENUE

Hilton Hotel Munich Airport, Terminalstrasse/Mitte 20, 85356 Munich

REGISTRATIONS AND ENQUIRIES

The closing date for reservations is 20th April 2017, 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

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 590 for members of EALA EUR 690 for non-members. Please note that the reduced registration fee for members of EALA is available only to those who have become paid-up members or whose companies/organisations have become paid-up corporate members for 2017.

Payment may be made by direct transfer to the following bank account, identifying the name of the attendee:

Deutsche Bank AG, Promenadeplatz 15, D-80333 Munich, Germany (sort code: 700 700 24);

Account #: 166270900

IBAN code: DE97 7007 0024 0166 2709 00

SWIFT code: DEUTDE33MUC

Account holder: Dr. P. Nikolai Ehlers (European Air Law Association)

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.

CANCELLATION/CHANGES

Cancellations can be accepted up to 24th April 2017, subject to deduction of EUR 80 to cover administration and overheads. Cancellations should be notified to EALA at the address given above. No refunds will be given for any cancellation received after 24th April 2017. 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. EALA reserves the right to alter the content or the names of the speakers without advance notice.

ATTENDANCE CERTIFICATION

To obtain a certificate of attendance in respect of the conference, please contact Ms. Annette Dehmel, email: a.dehmel@eep-law.de

HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

A limited number of rooms for the nights 27th and 28th April 2017 have been reserved at the Hilton Munich Airport at a reduced rate of EUR199 per night (including breakfast and tax). The deadline for this offer is 14th April 2017, but booking as early as possible is highly recommended as the offer is subject to availability. Bookings should be made directly with the hotel and reference should be made to: "EALA"

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Better rates may be available through other sources.