



# EUROPEAN AIR LAW ASSOCIATION



## 9<sup>th</sup> MUNICH LIABILITY SEMINAR

Liability, insurance and re-insurance, passenger rights and  
procurement of legal services  
in the air transport and aircraft finance industries

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2014**

**Kempinski Hotel Airport Munich**

## EUROPEAN AIR LAW ASSOCIATION 9<sup>th</sup> Munich Liability Seminar

EALA is pleased to invite you to attend its 9<sup>th</sup> Munich Liability Seminar which will be held in Kempinski Hotel Airport Munich.

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 9<sup>th</sup> Munich Liability Seminar will again cover a wide range of topical issues:

- Regulation 261/2004, the current plans for its revision in order to balance the interests of the carriers and of the passengers better and recent class actions in the U.S. based on the regulation
- Reinsurance in the civil aviation sector - a comprehensive introduction to this cornerstone of global risk management
- Suborbital spaceflight raises significant issues also in regard of liability for damage. The European and U.S. approaches to resolve these issues will be contrasted
- The criminalization of aviation accidents continues to raise concerns. A panel of well-known experts will deal in this context with such hot topics as pilot fatigue, new European cockpit crew flight time limitations, corporate manslaughter legislation and insurance coverage of criminal defense costs
- For March/April 2014 ICAO has convened a Diplomatic Conference to consider an amendment of the 1963 Tokyo Convention on Offences and Certain Other Acts Committed On

Board Aircraft. The results of this Diplomatic Conference will be presented and commented.

- The in-house counsel panel concluding the 9<sup>th</sup> Munich Liability Seminar will deal with current trends and developments regarding the procurement of legal services, e.g. the selection of panels of outside lawyers, bidding for instructions, pitches, alternative fee arrangements such as capped, flat, contingency and fixed fees, discounts, blended hourly rates, legal spend managers.

We invite all aviation lawyers, airline, insurance and re-insurance industry, aircraft and aircraft engine finance, aerospace industry and airport 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 first eight 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 as always the award winning Kempinski Hotel Airport Munich, 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 Sunday evening, 18<sup>th</sup> May 2014. This time we will leave the hotel for a very special experience: All dinner participants will be taken by coach to the BMW Museum for an exclusive tour followed by a private dinner at the museum restaurant. After the dinner the participants will be taken back to the Kempinski Hotel Airport Munich.

## PROGRAMME

### SUNDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2014

#### CONFERENCE DINNER – BMW Museum, Am Olympiapark 2, Munich

19:00	<b>Departure of all dinner participants by coach from the Kempinski Hotel Airport Munich</b> (there will be a meeting point in the lobby of the hotel near the main entrance)
19:30	<b>Arrival at BMW Museum and exclusive tour of the BMW Museum</b> for all dinner participants
20:30	<b>Dinner at the restaurant of the BMW Museum</b> - after the dinner a coach will take all dinner participants back to the Kempinski Hotel Airport Munich

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**MONDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2014**

**LIABILITY SEMINAR – Kempinski Hotel Airport Munich**

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10:00 – 10:10	<b>Welcome address:</b>	<a href="#">Pablo Mendes de Leon</a> , President of EALA, Professor of Air and Space Law, University of Leiden
	<b>Introduction:</b>	<a href="#">P. Nikolai Ehlers</a> , Ehlers Ehlers & Partner, Munich
10:10 – 11:30	<b>Topic:</b>	<b>Regulation 261/2004 - Plans for a revision and U.S. class actions based on the Regulation</b>
	<b>Moderator:</b>	<a href="#">Dimitri de Bournonville</a> , Kennedys, Brussels
	<b>Panellists:</b>	<a href="#">Jochem Croon</a> , General Counsel, Transavia, Schiphol <a href="#">Christopher R. Christensen</a> , Condon & Forsyth, New York <a href="#">Christof Berlin</a> , Head of Aviation Team, SÖP (German Conciliation Body for Public Transport), Berlin <a href="#">Josef Schneider</a> , Secretary, European Passengers' Federation, Gent
11:30 – 11:50	<b>Coffee/tea break</b>	
11:50 – 12:15	<b>Topic:</b>	<b>Reinsurance in the civil aviation sector</b>
	<b>Speaker:</b>	<a href="#">Roland Küsters</a> , Underwriter and Legal Counsel, Munich Re, Munich
12:15 – 12:45	<b>Topic:</b>	<b>Liability for damage caused by suborbital vehicles</b>
	<b>Speaker:</b>	<a href="#">Michael Gerhard</a> , Senior Legal Adviser, EASA, Cologne
	<b>Comments:</b>	<a href="#">Pamela L. Meredith</a> , Zuckert Scoutt & Rasenberger, Washington
12:45 – 14:05	<b>Lunch</b>	
14:05 – 15:25	<b>Topic:</b>	<b>Criminalization of aviation accidents</b>
	<b>Moderator:</b>	<a href="#">Kenneth P. Quinn</a> , Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman, Washington
	<b>Panellists:</b>	<a href="#">Sue Barham</a> , Holman Fenwick Willan, London <a href="#">Sharon Holahan</a> , Executive Vice President, Director of Claims, Global Aerospace, Parsippany, New Jersey <a href="#">Roland Küsters</a> , Underwriter and Legal Counsel, Munich Re, Munich <a href="#">Steven C. Marks</a> , Podhurst Orseck, Miami <a href="#">Christian A. Menzel</a> , Lawyer, Fritz Vetter Laux, Pilot A340, Lufthansa, Munich
15:25 – 15:50	<b>Topic:</b>	<b>The 2014 revision to the Tokyo Convention: responding to the problem of unruly passengers</b>
	<b>Speaker:</b>	<a href="#">Michael Gill</a> , Director, Member and External Relations, IATA, Geneva
	<b>Comments:</b>	<a href="#">Alejandro Piera</a> , Counselor, UAE Delegation on the ICAO Council, Montreal
15:50 – 16:10	<b>Tea/coffee break</b>	
16:10 – 17:40	<b>Topic:</b>	<b>In-house counsel panel: What are the current trends and developments regarding the procurement of legal services</b>
	<b>Moderator:</b>	<a href="#">Robert Ricketts</a> , Clark Ricketts, London
	<b>Panellists:</b>	<a href="#">Michelle Johnson</a> , General Counsel & Company Secretary, Air Berlin <a href="#">Matthias Langbehn</a> , Legal Spend Manager, Lufthansa, Munich <a href="#">Marko Ninkovic</a> , Head of Technical Adjusting, Aviation, QBE, London <a href="#">Matthias Reuleaux</a> , Senior Director, Norddeutsche Landesbank, Hannover <a href="#">Ann C. Taylor</a> , Locke Lord, Chicago
17:40 – 17:50	<b>Closing remarks</b>	<a href="#">Pablo Mendes de Leon</a> and <a href="#">P. Nikolai Ehlers</a>
17:50 – 18:30	<b>Cocktail reception</b>	

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#### **CONFERENCE DINNER, SUNDAY 18<sup>th</sup> May 2014**

All delegates are invited to attend the Conference Dinner. A coach will take the dinner participants to the BMW Museum in Munich for an exclusive guided tour of the museum and a dinner in the museum restaurant following the tour. All dinner participants have to meet at the meeting point in the lobby of the Kempinski Hotel Airport Munich at 19:00 on Sunday, 18<sup>th</sup> May 2014. EUR 90 will be charged per person for the Conference Dinner including drinks, coach transportation, entrance fee to the BMW Museum and the guided tour of the museum.

#### **CONFERENCE VENUE**

Kempinski Hotel Airport Munich, Terminalstrasse/Mitte 20  
85356 Munich

#### **REGISTRATION FEE**

Seminar (including lunch, coffee and tea breaks, cocktail reception): EUR 590 for members of EALA (as of 19<sup>th</sup> May 2014) 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 2014 by 19<sup>th</sup> May 2014.

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:

Deutsche Bank AG, Promenadeplatz 15, D-80333 Munich, Germany (sort code: 700 700 24);  
Account # 166270900;  
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SWIFT code: DEUTDE33MUC;  
Account holder: Dr. P. Nikolai Ehlers (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.

#### **REGISTRATIONS AND ENQUIRIES**

The closing date for reservations is 9<sup>th</sup> May 2014, 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:

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

#### **CANCELLATION/CHANGES**

Cancellations can be accepted up to 9<sup>th</sup> May 2014, 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 9<sup>th</sup> May 2014. 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, EALA reserves the right to alter the content or the names of the speakers without advance notice.

#### **CPD CREDITS**

EALA has been authorised by the Solicitors Regulation Authority, the independent regulatory authority of the Law Society of England and Wales, to accredit courses for the purposes of the Authority's Continuous Professional Development Scheme, under reference BXX/EALA.

#### **ATTENDANCE CERTIFICATION**

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

#### **NEDERLANDSE ORDE VAN ADVOKATEN**

For Dutch lawyers, please instead contact Paula van der Wulp, email [p.vanderwulp@law.leidenuniv.nl](mailto:p.vanderwulp@law.leidenuniv.nl)

#### **HOTEL ACCOMMODATION**

A limited number of rooms for the nights 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>/20<sup>th</sup> May 2014 have been reserved at the Kempinski Hotel Airport Munich at a reduced rate of EUR 185 per night (including breakfast and tax). Bookings should be made directly with the hotel and reference should be made to: EALA. The deadline for this offer is 5<sup>th</sup> May 2014, but booking as early as possible is highly recommended as the offer is subject to availability.

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