Enhancing Air Cargo Security and Facilitation

Collaborative solutions to future challenges

Hosted by the Kingdom of Bahrain

ICAO-WCO Joint Conference | Gulf Hotel, Manama, Bahrain | 16 – 17 April 2014

PROGRAMME

DAY 1

09:30 OPENING CEREMONY

Under the patronage of His Excellency
Lieutenant-General Shaikh Rashed bin Abdulla Al Khalifa
Minister of Interior, Kingdom of Bahrain

Welcoming addresses:
› H.E. Lieutenant-General Shaikh Rashed bin Abdulla Al Khalifa
› H.E. Engineer Kamal bin Ahmed Mohammed, Minister of Transportation and Acting Chief Executive of the Economic Development Board, Kingdom of Bahrain

Keynote addresses:
› Mr. Raymond Benjamin,
  Secretary General, International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)
› Mr. Kunio Mikuriya,
  Secretary General, World Customs Organization (WCO)
› Mr. Bishar Abdirahman Hussein,
  Director General, Universal Postal Union (UPU)

Presentation of gifts

10:15 REFRESHMENTS AND NETWORKING BREAK

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SESSION 1: OVERVIEW ON ENHANCING AIR CARGO SECURITY AND FACILITATION

An integrated cargo system to facilitate the safe and secure transport of goods by air

Address by moderator

Panel discussion

- Mr. Kunio Mikuriya, Secretary General, WCO
- Mr. Jim Marriott, Chief, Aviation Security Branch, ICAO
- Mr. Gordon Wright, Senior Manager, Customs and Cargo Trade Facilitation, International Air Transport Association (IATA)
- Mr. Douglas Brittin, Secretary General, The International Air Cargo Association (TIACA)
- Mr. Steven John Morris, Chair, Customs Affairs Institute, International Federation of Freight Forwarders Associations (FIATA)

Moderator for panel discussion:
Mr. Bernard Lim, Director, International Relations and Security, Singapore Ministry of Transport
Wednesday 16 April 2014

SESSION 2:
HOW SECURITY CONTRIBUTES TO THE ECONOMIC COMPETITIVENESS OF THE AIR CARGO INDUSTRY

The importance of air cargo and the positive role that security and regulatory developments can play in improving industry competitiveness

Address by moderator

Presentations and Panel discussion

- Mr. Enno Osinga, Vice-Chairman of the Board of Directors, TIACA
- Dr. Tiju Thomas, Consul (Economic and Customs), Consulate General of India, Dubai
- Mr. Kester Meijer, Director Operational Integrity, Division Safety & Quality Manager (DSQM), KLM CARGO
- Mr. Michael Rossell, Director ICAO Relations, Airports Council International (ACI)

Moderator for panel discussion:
Ms. Angela Strachan, International Expert, Trade Facilitation and Private Sector Development

14:30
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SESSION 3: INDUSTRY PERSPECTIVE ON ENHANCING AIR CARGO SECURITY AND FACILITATION

Operational and business initiatives in addressing current security threats while facilitating the movement of goods through the supply chain

Address by moderator

Presentations and Panel discussion

- Mr. Gordon Wright, Senior Manager, Customs and Cargo Trade Facilitation, IATA
- Mr. Suheil Shreiteh, Head of Freight and Postal Services, Middle East Airlines, Arab Air Carriers Organization (AACO)
- Mr. Carlos Grau Tanner, Director General, Global Express Association (GEA)
- Mr. Stephen Morris, Chair, Customs Affairs Institute, FIATA

Moderator for panel discussion:
Ms. Carolina Ramírez-Taborda, Chairman, Security Task Force, Global Air Cargo Advisory Group (GACAG)

END OF DAY 1

16:30

Pick up from Gulf Hotel – dress code: casual

19:00

EVENING RECEPTION
Mövenpick Hotel – Hosted by Bahrain Customs Affairs

19:30

22:00

Transportation back to Gulf Hotel
SESSION 4: STRENGTHENING AIR CARGO SECURITY AND FACILITATION THROUGH REGIONAL AND NATIONAL COOPERATION

Best practices to enhance cooperation and collaboration between aviation security and Customs

Address by moderator

Presentations and Panel discussion

› Ms. Ebby Khaguli, Acting Chief Manager Customs Services, Kenya Revenue Authority and Ms. Hellen Nthenya Makau, Aviation Security Inspector, Kenya Civil Aviation Authority

› Mr. Ed Broekema, Customs Senior Policy Adviser, Ministry of Finance and Mr. Joost Rooijackers, Senior Policy Officer, National Coordinator for Counterterrorism and Security, The Netherlands

› Mr. Carlos Mestre Zamarreño, Head of Unit, Aviation Security, DG MOVE and Ms. Suzanne Stauffer, Head of Security Sector, DG TAXUD, European Commission (EC)

› Mr. Justin Jedlinski, Chief, Integrated Cargo Security, Transport Canada and Ms. Jin Randhawa, Senior Program Advisor, Pre-Border Programs, Canada Border Services Agency

Moderator for panel discussion:
Ms. Asha Menon, Senior Technical Officer, WCO

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SESSION 5:
THE POTENTIAL FOR ADVANCE INFORMATION TO ENHANCE AIR CARGO SECURITY AND FACILITATION

Is advance information part of the solution? Best practices and future challenges
Address by moderator

Presentations and Panel discussion

- Ms. Yvonne Mokgako, Aviation Security Expert, African Civil Aviation Commission (AFCAC)
- Mr. Mohamed Khalil, Head of the Modernized Customs Center, Cairo International Airport
- Mr. Daniel Cortez, Postal Security Programme Manager, Universal Postal Union (UPU)
- Mr. Mark Dillon, Senior Policy Advisor, HM Revenue and Customs, United Kingdom
- Ms. Regina Kang, Programme Manager for the Air Cargo Advance Screening (ACAS) pilot, US Customs and Border Protection (US CBP)
- Mr. Howard Stone, Vice President Global Programs, UPS Corporate Aviation Security, Global Express Association (GEA)

Moderator for panel discussion:
Ms. Patricia Reverdy, Deputy Executive Secretary, European Civil Aviation Conference (ECAC)
## SESSION 6:
**CONCLUSION**

Solutions to address current and future challenges

Address by moderator

Panel discussion

- Ms. Asha Menon, Senior Technical Officer, WCO
- Mr. Carlos Mestre Zamarreño, Head of Unit, Aviation Security, DG MOVE, European Commission
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Moderator for panel discussion:

Mr. David Sterland, Regional Officer Aviation Security & Facilitation (Middle East), ICAO

## CLOSING REMARKS

- H.E. Shaikh Mohammed Bin Khalifa Al-Khalifa, President of Customs, Ministry of Interior, Kingdom of Bahrain
- Mr. Ahmed Al Nemah, Acting Undersecretary for Civil Aviation Affairs, Ministry of Transportation, Kingdom of Bahrain

## END OF CONFERENCE and ICAO EXHIBITION

**REFRESHMENTS AND NETWORKING BREAK**

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H.E. Lieutenant-General Shaikh Rashed bin Abdulla Al Khalifa, Minister of Interior

Shaikh Rashed was appointed Minister of Interior, Kingdom of Bahrain, on 21 May 2004.

Within a very short span of time, he re-organized the Ministry and its various structures, and went on to play a vital role in establishing and enhancing bilateral relations with other countries. Under his leadership, the Ministry has formalized its co-operation with the Interior Ministries of the United States, United Kingdom, Turkey, France, Russia and others.

Keeping in view the trend of greater interaction between the public and the Police, Shaikh Rashed established the innovative Community Police Service in Bahrain, which has tremendously increased the intimacy between the public and the Police. The Ministry has recently also introduced an Independent Ombudsman in line with international standards to investigate and redress complaints from the public.

Shaikh Rashed strongly believes that security is no longer an internal issue. And from that perspective, he took the initiative to organize an international security forum in Bahrain in 2007 and 2009; the first platform of its kind where internationally acclaimed experts, technocrats, and policy makers both from the governmental and private sector attended to exchange views.
H.E. Engineer Kamal bin Ahmed Mohammed

His Excellency Kamal bin Ahmed Mohammed was appointed Minister of Transportation in February 2012. He holds overall responsibility for Bahrain’s transport infrastructure covering policy, regulation and the development and delivery of projects to meet the Kingdom’s future transport needs, as well as the country’s postal services.

Additionally, in March 2012, Kamal bin Ahmed was appointed Acting Chief Executive to the Economic Development Board, the public agency with overall responsibility for attracting inward investment into Bahrain and supporting initiatives that help enhance the investment climate in the country.

Prior to his appointment as Transport Minister, Kamal bin Ahmed was Minister of Cabinet Affairs from February 2011. He previously spent 7 years at the Economic Development Board leaving his role as Chief Operating Officer to become a Government Minister. He is currently a board member of the following organisations: Bahrain Mumtalakat Holding Company (Mumtalakat); Bahrain Economic Development Board; Gulf Air; Quality Assurance Authority for Education and Training (QAAET); and Higher Education Council (HEC).

Kamal bin Ahmed holds a Bachelors in Civil Engineering from the University of Bahrain and a Master’s Degree in International Project Management from Leeds University.
Mr. Raymond Benjamin

Mr. Benjamin has been Secretary General of the International Civil Aviation Organization since August 2009. His extensive career in civil aviation spans more than 30 years. It includes 13 years as Executive Secretary of the European Civil Aviation Conference (ECAC) where he was responsible for the development of policy advice and strategic options to the President and to the 42 Member States of the Conference. Prior to joining ECAC, Mr. Benjamin was Chief of the Aviation Security Branch of the Air Transport Bureau of ICAO from 1989 to 1994. Among his responsibilities was the provision of advice to the Secretary General and the President of the Council on security policy matters and the development of a worldwide airport assessment and technical assistance programme. He also served as Air Transport Officer and Deputy Secretary of ECAC from 1982 to 1989 and held various positions in the Civil Aviation Administration of France from 1973 to 1982.

Mr. Benjamin holds a Master’s Degree in Public Law and Diplomas from the Institute of Political Studies and the Institute of Higher International Studies, Paris.

A French citizen, he was born on 24 November 1945, in Alexandria, Egypt.

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Prior to joining the WCO, he worked for Japan’s Ministry of Finance for 25 years. During his career with the Ministry, Mr. Mikuriya occupied a variety of senior posts, which have given him broad experience and knowledge in Customs, trade, development, budget, and financial policies. He served as Director of Enforcement where he led efforts to fight illicit trade, then as Director of Research and International Affairs paving the way for the conclusion of the first regional trade agreement for Japan, and then as a Counsellor in the Tariff and Customs Bureau. He also served as Director of Salaries and Allowances to coordinate remuneration levels for the entire government workforce, and as the Budget Controller for Foreign Affairs, Official Aid, International Trade and Industry, in the Budget Bureau. In addition, he spent time as a Counsellor at the Japanese Mission to the WTO in Geneva and participated in the GATT Uruguay Round trade negotiations.

Mr. Mikuriya has a degree in law from the University of Tokyo and a Ph.D in international relations from the University of Kent.

Mr. Bishar Abdirahman Hussein

Mr. Hussein’s four-year mandate as Director General of the International Bureau of the Universal Postal Union (UPU) began in January 2013. The UPU is the United Nations’ specialized agency for postal services. His vast experience of the postal sector encompasses 30 years and includes time served as CEO of the Kenyan Post. Mr. Hussein is also well versed in UPU and diplomatic matters, having spent six years as Kenyan ambassador to the Gulf region, based in the United Arab Emirates.

Prior to his election as Director General, he chaired the UPU Council of Administration from 2009 to 2012.
**H.E. Shaikh Mohammed Bin Khalifa Al-Khalifa**

Shaikh Mohammed is the President of Customs, Ministry of Interior, Kingdom of Bahrain.

Prior to his current position, he held posts as the Undersecretary of the Ministry of Transportation, as well as successive posts within Financial and Administrative Affairs at the Ministry of Justice and Islamic Affairs. Shaikh Mohammed represents the Kingdom of Bahrain in various regional and international fora. He has contributed to the privatization of the transport and telecommunications sectors and is a holder of the H.H. Sheikh Isa bin Salman Al Khalifa’s Award.

He holds a Bachelor’s Degree in Business Administration and has completed a Course in Public Administration for Executives.

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**Mr. Ahmed N. Al Nemah**

Mr. Al Nemah has been the Acting Undersecretary for Civil Aviation Affairs for the Kingdom of Bahrain since January 2013. He reports directly to The Minister of Transportation and is responsible for all issues related to civil aviation for the Kingdom of Bahrain.

In his capacity as Acting Undersecretary, he is responsible for overseeing the strategic development of Aviation Services in Bahrain. He is also instrumental in developing and implementing an open skies policy for the Kingdom, including securing the interest of the national carrier Gulf Air in the international market through bilateral negotiations.
In addition, his responsibilities include successful negotiations of aviation bilateral agreements and achieving open skies agreements with nations worldwide. Mr. Al Nemah also serves on the Supreme Organising Committee for the Bahrain International Airshow as appointed by H.H. The Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Bahrain.

Mr. Al Nemah began his career with Bahrain Civil Aviation in 1978 as an air traffic controller. Prior to his appointment as the Acting Undersecretary for Civil Aviation Affairs, he was the Assistant Undersecretary for Civil Aviation Affairs from 2005-2013 and the Director of Air Transport from 2001-2005.

Mr. Issa Baluch

Mr. Baluch is credited with having pioneered the thriving multimodal sea-air combined transport freight business that operates in the United Arab Emirates. He founded one of the leading freight forwarding companies in the Middle East, Swift Freight International, in 1989, which he sold in 2008. Mr. Baluch served as President of FIATA from 2003 to 2005, and continues as a Member of the Board of Directors.

In 2011, Mr. Baluch was accepted by Harvard University to become a Fellow in the Advanced Leadership Initiative (ALI) programme. The following year, he became a senior Fellow and Associate of Science, Technology, and Globalization at Harvard Kennedy School. Mr. Baluch has authored two books on transport logistics: Transport Logistics: Past, Present and Predictions, published in 2005; and Transport Logistics: The Wheel of Commerce, published in 2010.
Mr. Douglas Brittin

Mr. Brittin was appointed to the position of Secretary General at The International Air Cargo Association (TIACA) in August 2013.

Prior to TIACA he served in the United States Department of Homeland Security’s Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Air Cargo Office. Upon joining TSA in June 2007 as Air Cargo Manager, he was responsible for the development of the Certified Cargo Screening Program in the United States, as well as forwarder security programmes and screening technology development.

He was promoted to the TSA’s Senior Executive Service (T-SES) as Division Director, Air Cargo at TSA headquarters in Arlington, Virginia in May 2010, where he was additionally responsible for global air cargo security policy, vulnerability assessments, all-cargo operator programmes and industry engagement, managing a budget of $122 million and a staff of security experts, programme managers and contractors.

Mr. Brittin has held executive level sales, marketing and operations positions within the transportation and logistics industry at companies such as BAX Global, Panalpina, Emery, and Menlo Worldwide. He has over 30 years’ experience in the industry, including the rail and trucking sectors.

Mr. Brittin is a graduate of the University of Denver.
Mr. Ed Broekema

Mr. Broekema is Senior Policy Advisor, Ministry of Finance, Customs and Consumer Tax Directorate, the Netherlands. He worked for more than 41 years in the Customs environment, including for the past 20 years in national and international Customs policy and legislation, with specific experience in trade facilitation, harmonization and standardization of Customs procedures; IT, data requirements etc. Mr. Broekema was a delegate for the Netherlands for many years in international meetings at the WCO, IMO, ICAO, ECAC and the EU and chaired for these organizations a number of committees, project groups, and working groups. From 1995 to 2011, he served as a delegate involved in the negotiations on the Revision of the WCO Revised Kyoto Convention.

Finally, since 2010, Mr. Broekema has been involved in work related to aviation security for the WCO, ECAC and the EU, including cargo-related matters and passenger-related information.

Mr. Daniel Cortez

Mr. Cortez is in a secondment position as the Postal Security Program Manager at the UPU. He implements the Postal Security Group’s work plans and is the UPU’s chief security officer. He serves as the primary liaison with international organizations for collaboration on safety and security matters affecting the world’s posts.

Mr. Cortez is a United States Postal Inspector with the United States Postal Service (USPS) Postal Inspection Service, which he joined in 1991 after working with the United States Department of Justice. The Postal Inspection Service serves as the federal law enforcement agency for the USPS. His career has focused on protecting the USPS by implementing and executing programmes relating to security, emergency preparedness, risk assessments and criminal investigations.
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Mr. Dillon is Senior Policy Advisor, Her Majesty’s Revenue and Customs (HMRC).

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Before joining GEA in 2010, Mr. Grau was Director, Government and Industry Affairs at the International Air Transport Association in Geneva, Switzerland for eight years. Previously he held a similar position at Swissair in Zurich.

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Mr. Justin Jedlinski

Mr. Jedlinski has over 15 years of experience in supply chain and transportation security.

Since joining Transport Canada in 2009, Mr. Jedlinski has had significant involvement in the design, development and implementation of Canada’s National Air Cargo Security Program.

Most recently, he has been responsible for leading Transport Canada’s air cargo security commitments under the PACT (Preload Air Cargo Targeting) pilot project jointly administered with the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA), in addition to efforts on mutual recognition, harmonization, and capacity development.

Ms. Regina Kang

Ms. Kang is the programme manager for the Air Cargo Advance Screening (ACAS) pilot for United States Customs and Border Protection (CBP), Department of Homeland Security, developing policies based on national operations targeting high-risk cargo, and leading consultations with industry. As the CBP lead responsible for transitioning the ACAS pilot into a regulation, she initiated the rulemaking process in 2013.

Previously, she worked in the CBP Office of International Affairs representing United States positions at international organizations. She received the Commissioner’s Ambassador Award in 2011 as part of the Automated Targeting System-Global team.

Ms. Ebby Khaguli

Ms. Khaguli is currently Acting Chief Manager Customs Services. Previously, she was Senior Assistant Commissioner Export Processing Zones and Bonded Warehouses, Head of the International, Intergovernmental and Regional Cooperation, Valuation and Tariff and Border Management.

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He is currently the Chairman of the International Civil Aviation Organization Aviation Security Panel (since 2011) and also the Vice-Chairman of the Asia-Pacific Economic Co-operation Aviation Security Experts Sub-Group. He had also led the ICAO Aviation Security Panel Working Group that developed the ICAO Comprehensive Aviation Security Strategy (2011-2016); the Working Group on Guidance Material; the Working Group on Screening of Non-Passengers; and is currently the Rapporteur for the Working Group on Air Cargo Security.

Mr. Lim is also a member of various crisis management teams. He was involved in the management of major crisis incidents such as the air crash of SilkAir flight MI185 and Singapore Airlines SQ006; the management of aviation security operations in the immediate aftermath of the terrorist attacks of 9/11, Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS), H1N1, and other incidents.

Mr. Lim holds a Master’s Degree in Public Administration from the University of Liverpool, United Kingdom. He was trained in crisis management at the Emergency Planning College in York, United Kingdom, and in Leadership at the John F Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University. He has received several awards including the Public Administration Medal (Silver) in 2012.
Ms. Hellen Nthenya Makau

Ms. Makau has worked with the Kenya Civil Aviation Authority as an Aviation Security Inspector for the last eight years. She worked as an aeronautical communications officer in the same organization for 12 years before joining the Aviation Security Department.

Ms. Makau is an ICAO Certified Aviation Security Instructor (Short-Term Expert) and a member of the MANPADS Mitigation Working Group (MMWG) for Kenya. She participated actively in the International Air Transport Association Secure Freight programme project for Kenya and provides Secretariat functions to the National Civil Aviation Security Committee, as well as performing aviation security quality control functions.

Mr. Jim Marriott

Mr. Marriott is Chief, Aviation Security Branch, International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), based in Montréal. In this capacity since May 2010, he leads ICAO’s activities in aviation security and facilitation policy and standards development, the Universal Security Audit Programme, international aviation security and facilitation assistance and capacity building, the ICAO Machine Readable Travel Documents / Traveller Identification Programme, and the ICAO Public Key Directory.

During 25 years with Transport Canada, Mr. Marriott occupied a variety of positions with increasing responsibility and complexity in the transportation security field. He played a major role in developing Canada’s aviation, marine and surface transportation security programmes from 1985 until joining ICAO.
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Mr. Carlos Mestre Zamarreño

Born in Madrid, Spain, in 1961, Mr. Zamarreño has practised law in the United Kingdom, Spain and Belgium. In 1993 he joined the European Commission, in Brussels, as administrator for the Directorate-General for External Relations.

From 1999 to 2003, Mr. Mestre worked at the World Bank, Washington DC, as senior Counsel of the Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency. In 2004 he was appointed Chief Negotiator of aviation agreements, and subsequently Deputy Head of Unit of the Internal Market Unit, in the Directorate-General for Mobility and Transport (DG MOVE), Aviation Directorate.

He is currently Head of Unit in charge of aviation security within the Policy Coordination and Security Directorate of DG MOVE.
Ms. Yvonne Dinah Mokgako

Ms. Mokgako is the Aviation Security Expert of the African Civil Aviation Commission (AFCAC).

She has been in the aviation industry since 1995. She started her career as an Aviation Bilateral Officer at the Department of Transport of South Africa, from where she moved on to the South African Civil Aviation Authority as an Aviation Security Inspector. In this capacity, she inspected all South African security designated airports and air carriers which operate into South Africa. Ms. Mokgako was later redeployed by the Department of Transport as Deputy Director: Aviation Security from 2007 to 2013.

She obtained her Bachelor’s Degree and Higher Diploma in Transport Management from Rand Afrikaans University (RAU), in the Republic of South Africa.

Ms. Mokgako is a well renowned ICAO Security Auditor, who has audited different African States, hence her recent posting to the Secretariat of AFCAC.

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She obtained her Bachelor’s Degree and Higher Diploma in Transport Management from Rand Afrikaans University (RAU), in the Republic of South Africa.

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This representation, as a director of several international, regional, and national non-governmental entities, has seen him represent those bodies at the WCO and other international and regional forums.

Mr. Morris holds a Master’s Degree in Justice, and other qualifications in law, accounting, and international trade. In his capacity at FIATA and the CBFCA he represents the interests of service providers in international trade logistics and supply chain management.

Mr. Enno D. Osinga

Mr. Osinga, Senior Vice President Cargo, Amsterdam Airport Schiphol, has had a distinguished career in aviation and logistics.

Dutch born and educated he served as an officer in the Royal Netherlands Marine Corps. Following the completion of his degree in Business Administration at Bradford University (UK) he spent some years with ITT UK and ICI UK in various positions.

He joined KLM Royal Dutch Airlines in 1978 and over a period of 20 years worked in senior management positions in the Netherlands and abroad. He then moved to DHL Express as Managing Director the Netherlands and was later invited to become a member of the European Board of DHL Express. During that period he was also Vice Chairman of Transport and Logistics The Netherlands, the employer’s organization for the transport industry.

In September 2006, he joined the Schiphol Group as Senior Vice President Cargo. In this role, he is responsible for the implementation of the long term Cargo Strategy of the Airport through which Schiphol will safeguard its position as a leading Mainport for the logistics industry.
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Ms. Patricia Reverdy

Ms. Reverdy became Deputy Executive Secretary of the European Civil Aviation Conference (ECAC) in March 2008. She is responsible for economic regulation, security and facilitation.


Mr. Joost Rooijackers

Mr. Rooijackers is working as a senior policy officer for the Dutch National Coordinator for Security and Counterterrorism (Ministry of Security and Justice). He is responsible for air cargo security policy, the Dutch explosives detection dogs programme, and working on further development of training and high risk flight.

Prior to his switch to the policy department, Mr. Rooijackers worked as an inspector for aviation security for three years. Prior to joining the National Coordinator for Security and Counterterrorism, Mr. Rooijackers was managing the training department at Amsterdam Airport Schiphol of a worldwide operating security company. Before joining the training staff, he was working as a high risk flight agent.

Mr. Rooijackers holds a Bachelor’s Degree in business economics and a specialization in security policy (University of Amsterdam).
Mr. Michael Rossell

Mr. Rossell is Director – ICAO Relations, Airports Council International (ACI). He joined ACI World in 2012, where he is primarily responsible for developing relations with ICAO and other international organizations on the whole range of civil aviation policy matters. In addition, he is responsible for policy on aviation security, in particular on the collaborative Smart Security project (with the International Air Transport Association) and on environmental protection.

From 2006 to 2012, he was the United Kingdom Permanent Representative and, in 2011/12, First Vice President of the ICAO Council. He has extensive experience of international civil aviation regulation and policy making, in particular where these regulations and policies have a direct impact on the safe, secure and sustainable development of international air transport.

Previously, Michael was the United Kingdom Transport Attaché to the European Union (2003 to 2006) where he chaired the transport working groups during the United Kingdom Presidency of the EU. He brokered European agreements on the legislative framework for Community action to improve air safety and on new rights for passengers with reduced mobility travelling by air. He has also represented the United Kingdom in taking forward policy on other aviation issues including market liberalisation, slots, insurance, security, safety, and on environmental protection.

Michael has a BSc Degree in Geology from Edinburgh University and Master’s Degrees from both Durham and Sheffield Universities. He was also a Fulbright Fellow at the Hubert H. Humphrey Institute for Public Policy at the University of Minnesota in 1994-95 where he studied the effect of the 1978 deregulation of the aviation industry on the United States and considered how this might be a lesson for Europe.
Mr. Suheil Shreiteh

Mr. Shreiteh joined Middle East Airlines in 1972. After working in different departments in M.E.A., he was appointed as Head of Freight and Postal Services in 2002. Since 2009 he has been in charge of leading cargo instructors. His functions include Head of Cargo Security committee, Member of Cargo Security in MEA, Member in National committee of Get Airport Ready for Disaster (GARD), Member in AOC (Cargo) and Member in the committee of construction of the MEAG Cargo Center.

As a strong air cargo business underpinned MEA’s growth and was a vital contributor to profitability, Mr. Shreiteh’s 42 year experience includes knowledge of the important contribution of air cargo to the airline business.

Mr. Shreiteh was born in Beirut in 1951 and graduated in Business and Political Sciences from Lebanese University in 1974.

Ms. Suzanne Stauffer

Ms. Stauffer works as head of the Security Sector in the International Department of the Directorate General Taxation and Customs Union of the European Commission. Ms. Stauffer is currently in charge of the European Union (EU) authorised economic operators programme, mutual recognition and air cargo security in the Customs area. Ms. Stauffer has organised several EU air cargo pilot activities and is leading the EU/China Smart and Secure Trade Lane Pilot Project (SSTL). Previously Ms. Stauffer was in charge of drug precursors which mostly involved EU rulemaking and international enforcement cooperation in Asia, Pacific and Europe.

Ms. Stauffer is a graduate of the Université Louis Pasteur of Strasbourg / France with a Master in Economics.
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Ms. Angela Strachan


She is an experienced senior trade facilitation specialist with an established track record in strategy design and implementation in Africa, Asia and the Caribbean. Working more recently for the ITC, Geneva as Chief, Business Environment and Lead on Trade Facilitation, she has practical and policy experience in designing and implementing trade facilitation and trade logistics programmes, developing trade facilitation tools for exporting SMEs and the private sector, and advising on trade and transport facilitation and customs reforms programmes.

Ms. Strachan previously worked at UNESCAP in Bangkok, as Regional Adviser Trade Facilitation, and at the Commonwealth Secretariat in London as Trade Advisor.

Currently an international consultant, she advises several development entities, including the United Nations.
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