

The 13th Air Cargo Handling Logistics Digital Conference, 6th - 7th October 2021

Post Covid: Bring Back Better - Make it Matter

Cargo as a core business, ensuring profitable and relevant services post-Covid!

You may think you have heard this before, but this event is different.

The industry speaks about collaboration, how successful have we been and how much more are stake holders are prepared to deliver.

What should industry associations be doing now?

Let us make cargo retain its high profile with all stakeholders.

The past two years have shocked the air logistics supply chain and made the consumer and all stakeholders more aware of its tremendous value to the world's economy and wellbeing.

E-commerce solutions have made tremendous inroads in consumers buying behaviour, and air logistics stands to benefit even more in years to come.

The new buying behaviour for B2B is dramatically affecting traditional air cargo thinking and practices.

This conference is designed to address these issues and other important initiatives that are transforming commercial and operational decision making.

Wednesday 6th October

09.00 Review of 2020 Conference

Stan Wraight, President & CEO, SASI World & Chris Notter

Des unfortunately is unable to chair this year's digital event and Des requested Stan to step into chair the event along with Chris. Des will be back next year in his role as Chairman.

09.30 State of the Global Aviation industry

Mr. Cortney Robinson, Air Transport Officer for Air Cargo, The International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)

10.30 State of the global air cargo industry

Insights from World ACD on the latest demand and supply and operational developments across the sector.

Ken de Witt Hamer, Director, WorldACD

11.30 Industry collaboration - A help or a hindrance

Should industry associations continue to focus on representing their members in a silo approach, or is there a better way?

What are associations currently doing to improve the value of air cargo for all stakeholders in the value chain of our industry?

How can associations help the industry meet the new challenges that we now face to be competitive? How can they raise the standard of excellence to be competitive in the new world of ecommerce through collaboration or do we need to adopt individual solutions.

Brendan Sullivan, Global Head, Cargo at International Air Transport Association (IATA)

Glyn Hughes, Director General, The International Air Cargo Association (TIACA)

Brandon Fried, Executive Director, Air forwarders Association (AFA)

Fabio Gamba, Managing Director, Airport Services Association (ASA)

12.30 Customer focus

How freight forwarders, airlines, airports and GHA are adapting to meet their customers' changing air cargo needs in a highly volatile and constricted capacity environment. With capacity short, expensive, and difficult to guarantee, forwarders and e-commerce shippers have been expanding their own-controlled air freight networks. What are the implications of these, and other recent changes, operationally and commercially? What more can the sector do to support them, and vice versa? What threats for the future do these trends hold?

Peter Penseel, Chief Operating Officer Airfreight, CEVA Logistics

Robert Fordree, Executive Vice President Cargo, Menzies Aviation

Dennis Lister, VP Cargo Commercial Development, Emirates Airlines

Thomas Mack, Executive Vice President Global Air Freight, DHL Global Forwarding

13.30 Up in the air

Airlines have been adapting to extraordinary changes in cargo demand and capacity restrictions – for example, including widespread use of 'preighters' and new charter businesses for single freight forwarders. What has worked well, and what lessons have been learned? What happens next, and what do carriers need to do now to remain competitive and prepare their suppliers of services to meet clients rising expectations?

Stephen Dawkins, Chief Executive Officer, Air Logistics Group

Paul Cheng, General, Executive Director – Operations, HACTL

Hiran Perera, Senior Vice President -Freighters, Emirates Airlines

Sebastiaan Scholte, CEO, KALES Airline Services

14.30 Airport challenges

Amid massive challenges to their businesses, airports have been adapting to meet extraordinary changes in cargo demand patterns and operational needs and vastly changing expectations of Beneficial Cargo Owners (BCO) including adapting digital solutions, expanding, and building new automated and efficient cargo terminals and supporting airport infrastructure and coordinating all these changes to ensure their cargo communities needs are met and voices are heard. What has worked well and what lessons can be learned?

Stephanie P. Wear, Director of Air Service Development and Cargo Services, Philadelphia International Airport

Mammen Tharakan, Director, E-Commerce, Cargo, Aviation Real Estate, Investment Attraction, Partnership, Edmonton International Airport

Steve R. Forrer, Executive Vice President and Chief Investment Officer, Aviation Facilities Co (AFCO)

Stewart Angus, Independent Consultant

15.30 Small better than large.

When it comes to flexibility in meeting today's demand, how do the airports handle it?

Teddy Zebitz, CEO, Saudia Cargo

Massimo Roccasecca, Group Cargo Director at SAVE S.p.A

Bryan Schreiber, Manager, Air Cargo | Business Development, Columbus Regional Airport Authority, Rickenbacker International Airport

Bert Selis, VP Commercial Cargo, Liege Airport

16.30 The importance of proper handling airport equipment

Leasing – Owning – Renting – how manufacturers and suppliers are making it easier for handling agents to get the equipment that is required for GHA. Innovation on Ramp (AGV) automated ground vehicles

Liam Bolger, Head of Airside Operations, London Luton Airport

Kristof Philips, Chief Operating Officer, TCR Group

David Bunting, Regional Director - EMEA, JBT AEROTECH

17.30 Digital and Automation developments to improve efficiency.

How are initiatives such as E-freight, Single Window, ONE Record, and the various cargo community digitalisation projects towards paperless progressing and contributing to lowering costs, impacting environmental sustainability targets, improving data accuracy, speeding up process and improving efficiency? Paperless solutions and data transparency have many benefits in meeting both economic and environmental objectives going forward, what can take this to the next level and what are the hurdles to implementation?

Elliott Paige, Director, Air Service Development, Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport

Hendrik Leyssens, VP Global Cargo, Swissport

Amar More, Chief Executive Officer, Kale Logistics Solutions

Radhesh Menon, Vice President and Head of Strategy and Product Management, Cargo and Logistics, ibs software

Fred Werginz, Head of Commercial Operations – Americas, CHAMP Cargosystems

Thursday 7th October

09.00 Shipper/Vertical Focus: E-commerce

E-commerce is driving changes to air freight demand patterns and operations. What can air freight learn from this new customer vertical as to how the shippers and importers will direct their business going forward? How different are e-commerce shippers' and e-Retailers needs from other customers and verticals? Are those demands evolving? How is air freight adapting to address these needs? What more needs to happen? Where safety and security are paramount in our industry what needs to change to offer a competitive solution?

Olivier Bijaoui, President, OB Invest

10.30 Safety & Security in the new logistics environment

With e-commerce becoming such a large commodity of airfreight and increasing emphasis being placed on safety and security and the complexities for forwarders, airlines and GHA as a result

Kester Meijer, Director Operational Integrity, Compliance & Safety, KLM

Sonny Sehgal, Director, Transputec Computers PLC

Matthew Vaughan, Director, Aviation Security & Cyber (ACyS) Operations, Safety & Security, IATA

11.30 The future of ULDs and specialised packing

- Will specialised packaging and ULDs play a role in how investments should be made within warehouses.
- Where is the ULD market going.
- What do the shippers and airlines want when it comes to ULD containers?

ULD manufacturers are increasingly offering lightweight pallets and containers for consolidated carriage of loose shipments, and technology to trace and monitor the equipment. How are airlines and their customers benefiting from these and other developments in ULD materials and technology? Sophisticated packaging, how will this affect our industry? What are the next steps?

Thomas Sonntag, Managing Director, Jettainer

Anton Reznichenko, Deputy Head of Ground Operations & Cargo Handling, Volga-Dnepr

Marc Groenewegen, Chief Commercial Officer, Unilode

Ian Buck, AEROTUF

Urs Wiesendanger, President, ULD CARE

12.30 Sustainability and air freight

IATA Target Goal by 2050 to be carbon neutral: how are we going to achieve that? Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) seems to be the only way forward for achieving this target.

What needs to be done to accelerate the uptake of SAF – How to ensure sufficient quantities - How to bring this to market –What are the current challenges?

What else can be done by the air logistics industry? How can GHA become more sustainable?

Marcel Fujike, SVP, Global Head Products & Services Air Logistics, Kuehne + Nagel

13.30 Leadership training and high impact of affective training

Janet Wallace, Director Cargo Transformation, Air Canada

Lilian Tan Keller, Senior Vice President, SASI World

Charles Edwards, Vice President, SASI World

15.00 Round- up of the conference

Stan Wraight, President & CEO, SASI World+ Chris Notter

Thelma Etim, Editor, aircargoeye

Alex Lennane, Publisher, The Loadstar

Will Waters, Editor and Journalist, CAAS Magazine & Lloyds Loading List

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