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Hotel Hilton Sofia



Aviation-Event 2024 SOF









MODERATOR OF THE DAY

Alexander Bogoyavlenski, Journalist, Bloomberg TV Bulgaria









TOPIC: Challenges of aviation industry

Kick Off Time: 08:45

Marcel Riwalsky, CEO, Aviation-Event Jesús Caballero Pinto, CEO, Sofia Airport









Opening Keynote *Time: 09:00*

Dimitar Glavchev, Prime Minister of the Republic of Bulgaria (*invited*) **Krasimira Stoyanova,** Minister of Transport and Communications (*invited*)









Moderated Keynote Session: International Aviation Regulations and Overfly Rights Time 09:15

Charles Schlumberger, Lead Air Transport Specialist, The World Bank

Moderator: Marcel Riwalsky, CEO, Aviation-Event









Moderated Opening Keynote *Time: 09:45*

Morgan Foulkes, Deputy Director General, ACI EUROPE

Moderator: Andrea Giuricin, Aviation Journalist (RaiUno, Corriere della Sera, Il Sole 24 Ore etc.)

Coffee break | Time: 10:30

Media hub for the Aviation industry







CEO Talks: Airport infrastructure and operations: managing capacity and demand Time 11:00

Julian Jäger, COO & Joint CEO, Vienna Airport (Aviation-Event Supervisory Board Member)

Nazareno Ventola, CEO, Bologna Guglielmo Marconi Airport (Aviation-Event Supervisory Board Member)

Michael Eggenschwiler, Senior Aviation Executive, Board Member, Mentor (Aviation-Event Supervisory Board Member)

Riivo Tuvike, Chairman of the Management Board (CEO), Tallinn Airport

Mark Tyler, Consulting Director, SITA

Moderator: Michael Kerkloh, Member of Supervisory Board, Hannover Airport (Aviation-Event Supervisory Board Member)









Point of View: "Five things you need to know about airports" Time 11:45

David Feldman, Managing Partner, Exambela Consulting and Member of the Supervisory Board, SOF Connect









Leveraging Aviation and Tourism Synergies: Lessons for Central and Eastern European Emerging Markets from EU Experiences"

Time 12:00

Andreas Papatheodorou, Professor and Director, University of the Aegean, Greece
Sergiu Manea, President, Employers' Association of the Tourism Industry of the Republic of Moldova
Robert Balczun, Marketing and Communication Department, Polish Tourism Organization
Martina Groenegres, Former Managing Director, Lufthansa City Center International
Peter Malanik, President, Austrian Aviation Association
Frank Quante, CEO, Fraport Bulgaria

Moderator: Miquel Ros, Deputy Editor, AeroTime and Founder, Allplane.tv









Moderated Keynote Session: "Sustainability and the effective growth and exposure of LCC" Time 12:45

Owain Jones, Chief Corporate Affairs Officer, Wizz Air

Moderator: Luc Citrinot, Journalist, Voyages d'Affaires









Moderated Keynote Session: *Time 13:15*

Sergio Fernandez, Director Operations, Safety and Security (Airport infrastructure and Security) Europe, IATA

Moderator: Andreas W. Schulz, Freelance Aviation & Business Travel Journalist, CAT

Lunch break | Time: 13:35







Panel 1

"Navigating the Skies: Aviation's Vital Role in Global Economic Development and the Future

Perspective: A Spotlight on MRO Bulgaria"

Time 15:00

Preslav Milchev, CEO, Lufthansa Technik Sofia Jesús Caballero Pinto, CEO, Sofia Airport

Moderator: Lilya Mustakova, News Anchor and Reporter, NOVA Broadcasting Group









Panel 2: "New Horizons: Emerging Global Aviation Markets with Artificial Intelligence Opportunities and Challenges for Airlines and Airports" Time 15:30

Orijana Mašalė, Chairwoman of the Board, Lithuanian Civil Aviation Association (CAVIA)

Lorenzo di Loreto, Managing Director, Munich Airport International (MAI)

Saritha Ramanath, CEO, Inspire Infosol Pvt Ltd.

Bettina Ganghofer, CEO, Salzburg International Airport

Adan Morik, Director of Business Development, SeeTrue

Moderator: José Ramón Bauzá, Former Balearic Islands President, Former MEP (Aviation-Event Supervisory Board Member)









Aviation Insights: Exclusive Aviation Communicators Talk Show *Time 16:15*

Ioanna Papadopoulou, Director of Communications & Marketing, Athens International Airport (*President, Aviation-Event Supervisory Board*)

Moderator: Luis Felipe de Oliveira, Former Director General, ACI World









Closing Speech Time 16:30

Marcel Riwalsky, CEO, Aviation-Event

Jesús Caballero Pinto, CEO, Sofia Airport

David Ciceo, CEO, Cluj International Airport (Aviation-Event Supervisory Board Member)









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Candace McGraw
Chair of ACI World Governing Board, CEO,
Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport
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The Aviation-Event, one of the leading events in the aviation industry, and the Economic Summit on Germany involving decisionmakers from the world of business, politics, society and administration, are two events that are known well beyond the borders of Germany that were held in recent years.

Marcel Riwalsky, Managing Director of DA! GmbH,

holds a Master of Business Administration degree and Certificat d'Etudes Supérieres and has organized many high profile events in the past decade. As the initiator of Aviation-Event, he comes up with ideas for the event that goes by the same name as well as the concept for Aviation-Event Special. In the meantime, over 100 top speakers and discussion participants have been on stage in front of over 600 quests from politics and all sectors of business.

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