



Aviation Security Committee

The Aviation Security Committee is responsible for the development and implementation of ACI EUROPE security policy position on issues such as landside security, insider threats, security screening equipment (for example, Advanced Cabin Baggage Systems (ACBS), security scanners, EDS for hold baggage etc), capacity building in 3rd countries and for emerging threats. Committee members work with legislators and regulators (EU, TSA, CATSA and national regulators), aviation industry groups, and international policy makers to develop statutory and regulatory proposals governing security at airports.

The Committee also helps guide European Commission aviation security research programmes, under the framework of EU Horizon 2020. The committee provides information and guidance for airport operators in the development of airport security management programmes. It is represented in the Stakeholder's Advisory Group on Aviation Security (SAGAS) meetings, which are chaired by the European Commission, as well as the International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO), the European Civil Aviation Conference (ECAC), and other industry and government-sponsored organisations with a focus on aviation security.

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2018 Aviation Security Committee Work Plan

Committee Mission Statement

The Security Committee's mission is to enhance the security of airports by providing recommendations to industry and government for aviation security policies, identifying and promoting best practices in aviation security and identifying and/or developing educational and technological resources that help accomplish airport security objectives.

Work Undertaken

The major topics discussed at recent Committee meetings include: Advanced Cabin Baggage Systems (ACBS), landside security, insider threats, emerging threats, developments on Liquids, Aerosols, and Gels (LAGs), EU legislative updates; capacity building, operational testing of security equipment, EASA basic regulation (security aspects), Smart Security (a joint ACI/IATA checkpoint project), passenger differentiation, and EDS Std 3 implementation. Two World Business Partner (WBP) presentations are given at every Security Committee meeting.

2018 Committee Leadership

Committee Chair:	Wilfried Covent (Brussels)
Committee Vice Chair:	José Luis Nieto Garrido, (AENA)
Immediate Past Chair:	Erick Bourai (GROUPE ADP – Paris)
Committee Secretary:	David Trembaczowski-Ryder (ACI EUROPE)

Working Groups

Strategy

Chair: Wilfried Covent (Brussels)

Secretariat: David Ryder

Technology Panel

Chair: Erik Nelbom
(Copenhagen)

Jérôme Morandière

Benchmarking

Chair: Erik Nelbom (Copenhagen)

Secretariat: David Ryder

ACBS (incorporating LAGs)

Chair: Andy Price (Heathrow)

David Ryder

Operational Trials

Chair: Johan Merten (Budapest)

Secretariat: Jérôme Morandière

Landside Security

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David Ryder

ACI EUROPE Representation to European Institutions, ECAC and other Fora**European Commission Stakeholder's Advisory Group on Aviation Security**

Wilfried Covent (Brussels), José Luis Nieto Garrido, (AENA) & ACI EUROPE

ECAC Technical Task Force

Primary: Thorbjorn Henningsson (Swedavia)

Alternate: Andy Price (Heathrow)

ECAC Guidance Material Task Force

Primary: Johan Merten (Budapest)

Alternate: tbd

ECAC Training Task Force

Primary: Para Paranthaman (Avinor)

Alternate: Wilfried Covent (Brussels)

ECAC Security Forum

Primary: David T-Ryder (ACI EUROPE)

Alternate: Wilfried Covent (Brussels)

ACI World Security Standing Committee

Primary: Johnnie Müller (Copenhagen) & Bart Mos (Amsterdam) & ACI EUROPE

EU – US Transportation Security Cooperation Group

Primary: Bart Mos (Amsterdam) & ACI EUROPE

Smart Security Management Group

Primary: Alexis Long (Heathrow)

Alternate: Amsterdam Schiphol Airport & ACI EUROPE

Committee Working Groups:

Strategy Working Group

- Define a clear, long term and consistent strategy of the ACI EUROPE AVSEC Committee and for its representatives. Topics discussed include passenger differentiation, capacity building, landside security, insider threats, operational testing of security equipment, and enhanced passenger and cabin baggage screening. The working group meets 4 times per year.

Technology Panel

- Respond to manufacturers and feed the Committee with facts as a basis to make decisions from a technological point of view. The panel produces catalogues of equipment with brief descriptions for use by all airport members (only). Members also meet with manufacturers and visit production facilities. The panel meets 3-4 times per year in different locations around Europe.

Benchmarking Working Group

- Administer and coordinate the Aviation Security Benchmarking Database with the collection of data and the annual validation of data inputs. The group meets 1-2 per year.

ACBS (incorporating LAGs) Joint Operational Working Group

- A working group made up of airports, security manufacturers, airline associations and appropriate transport authorities. The focus is on developing practical operational outputs, sharing best practices in the field of security equipment, and promoting guidelines for screening methods. Topics include LAGs, operational implications of the deployment of ACBS at checkpoints, operational trials of security equipment, tray specifications, and ECAC laboratory testing developments. ACI EUROPE hosts a two-day meeting 2-3 per year.

Operational Trials Working Group

- The working group plans to set up a formal system of operational testing, trials and evaluation centres (and capabilities) in the EU for testing/trialing of aviation security equipment, and (subsequently) the evaluation of security systems in the operational environment as well as recommendations for improvements. The Working aims to develop ACI EUROPE supported/approved standards for those centres and equipment.

Landside Security Operational Working Group

- The aim of the working group is to share information on airport landside security issues; explore sources of information to build a repository of best practices on airport landside security; develop a generic organisation and coordination model for airport landside security; and develop a best practice vulnerability assessment tool kit *et al*

Cybersecurity Task Force

The Cybersecurity Task Force is a cross functional group that is responsible for the development and implementation of ACI EUROPE cybersecurity policy position on issues such as the rulemaking by European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA).

The Cybersecurity Task Force was established in September 2017 with a primary goal to discuss and understand the requirements for those airports designated by national authorities as “Operators of Essential Services” under the terms of the EU Network Information Security (NIS) Directive. The definition criteria for Operators of Essential Services may vary from one EU Member State to another; ACI EUROPE is working to harmonise requirements across EU Member States.

The European Commission (EC) have tasked the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) with preparing aviation specific cybersecurity regulations. EASA have established an European Strategic Coordination Platform (ESCP) that involves all the key aviation actors from EU authorities and industry, including ACI EUROPE. Although EASA is basing their work on the impact that a cybersecurity event could have on aircraft safety their remit does have an impact on airports.

The task force provides information and guidance for airport operators in the development of airport cyber security management programmes. It is represented in the EASA European Strategic Coordination Platform (ESCP) and in the Technical Advisory Committees working parties.

The aim of the task force is to provide an interface and expertise to:

- The EASA activities (ESCP & rulemaking, European Centre for Cybersecurity in Aviation (ECCSA project)):

- The European Commission (incl. European Network Information Security Agency (ENISA));
- The ECAC Study Group on Cybersecurity;

Also the task force develops airports cybersecurity best practices (systems & mapping of responsibilities; prioritization/criticality, risk assessments, mitigation measures), and provides an European perspective to the ACI WORLD activities.

Cybersecurity Task Force

Chair: Marc Lindike (Munich)

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