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CREATING & PROVIDING A WEALTH OF EXPERTISE

Through our special committees and fora, as well as an extensive network of over 300 individual experts from member airports at all levels of the industry, we have access to a wealth of expertise and applied technical experience which is unsurpassed. All research shows that airports contribute significantly to the economic and social development of regions they serve.

By mobilising our in-house expertise, institutional and industry contacts and a range of communication tools, we promote a wider understanding of the challenges facing civil aviation in Europe. We aim to provide clear, objective and reliable information on the many complex aspects of the airport industry. This allows effective interaction with decision-makers and partner organisations, encouraging understanding of the diverse industry issues.

Through ACI EUROPE’s SESAR Related Deployment Airport Grouping (SDAG), our airport members can apply for Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) funding to optimise their operations and thus improve performance. SDAG also gives airports valuable support throughout the entirety of funded projects.

We actively work on a day-to-day basis with the institutions of the European Union, as well as the European Civil Aviation Conference (ECAC), the European Organisation for the Safety of Air Navigation (EUROCONTROL), the European Union Aviation Safety Agency (EASA), the SESAR 3 Joint Undertaking and all the national civil aviation authorities in Europe. Colleagues in ACI World pursue the same mission with the International Civil Aviation Organisation of the United Nations (ICAO) and other world organisations.

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We are also actively engaged in promoting climate action by the airport industry. In 2009, we launched Airport Carbon Accreditation, the only institutionally-endorsed, carbon management certification standard for airports. The programme independently assesses and recognises the efforts of airports to manage and reduce their carbon emissions with six levels of certification: ‘Mapping’, ‘Reduction’, ‘Optimisation’, ‘Neutrality’, ‘Transformation’ & ‘Transition’. www.airportcarbonaccreditation.org

We work on a diverse range of issues including

- Airport Capacity and Airport Slots
- Airport Connectivity
- Airport Economics
- Airport Leadership & Change Management
- Airport Traffic
- Airports & Digital Communications
- Airport Safety, Airport Security
- Airport Sustainability
- Air Traffic Management
- Aviation Liberalisation & External Relations
- Customer Service
- Environment & Carbon Management
- EU Funding
- Finance & Ownership
- Ground Handling
- Industry Cooperation & the Benefits of Aviation
- Industry Crisis and Intermodality
- Passenger Facilitation & Border Control
- Regional Airports
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