INTERNATIONAL AVIATION CONFERENCE:
COPING WITH GROWTH ON FUTURE AERIAL HIGHWAYS

Organised by: The Aero Club of India, New Delhi and
The International Institute of Air and Space Law, Leiden University, The Netherlands

Thursday, 4 April 2019
Venue: Hotel Le Meridien, New Delhi
Programme

09.00-09.30 hrs: Registration

09.30 - 9.45 hrs: WELCOMING ADDRESSES
- Mr. Rajiv Pratap Rudy, MP and President of the Aero Club of India
- Representative of the Government of India/Parliament/Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) of India, to be confirmed
- His Excellency Mr. Marten van den Berg, Ambassador of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in India

09.45 - 10.00 hrs: KEYNOTE SPEECH, Commemorating 75 years of the Chicago Convention of 1944, and 100 years Paris Convention, 1919, with particular reference to the contribution from India to the development of international air law
Prof. Dr. Jiefang Huang, Director, Legal Bureau, International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), Montreal, Canada

Panel I
10.00 - 11.30 hrs: MANAGING GROWTH ON A LEVEL PLAYING FIELD
Moderator: Mr. Rajesh Singh, RKS Associates, New Delhi
- Transparency of State support for air transport
  Mr. Kapil Kaul, Chief Executive Officer, Centre for Asia Pacific Aviation (CAPA), Delhi
- Are Air Services Agreements an adequate instrument for maintaining a level playing field?
  Mr. Fatti Athi, Head International Relations, Qatar Airways, Doha, Qatar
- Globalisation of route networks
  Mr. Rajan Malhotra, Associate VP, Aeropolitical Affairs and Partnerships Indigo Airlines, India
- Taxation of air services, including tickets: the ultimate remedy?
  Ms. Laura Pierallini, Studio Pierallini, Rome, Italy

Questions from the audience

11.30 - 11.45 hrs: REFRESHMENTS
Panel II
11.45 - 12.30 hrs: THE CAPACITY CRUNCH: HOW AND WHERE TO ESTABLISH LIMITS?
Moderator: Ms. Shefali Juneja, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Civil Aviation, Government of India
- Slot allocation: is it an adequate solution?
  Mr. José Ignacio García Arboleda, García Arboleda Abogados, Bogota, Colombia
- Setting contours for noise and emissions
  Mr. Michel Adam, Government and environmental affairs Specialist, International Air Transport Association (IATA), Geneva, Switzerland
- The instrument of airport and air navigation charges
  Ms. Catherine Erkelens, Erkelens Law, Brussels, Belgium

Questions from the audience

12.30 - 13.30 hrs: LUNCHEON

Panel III
13.30 - 15.45 hrs: PROCESSING CLAIMS AND CONDITIONS RELATING TO THE OPERATION OF AIRCRAFT
Moderator: Prof. Wolf Müller-Rostin, University of Cologne, Germany
- Recent case law involving airline liability from different geographical regions
  - Ms. Charlotte Thijssen
    Senior Associate / Attorney-at-Law at Kennedys Law, Brussels, Belgium
  - Mr. Francesco Fiorilli
    Law firm HFW, Dubai, United Arab Emirates
  - Mr. Alfonso Boden Plana
    Partner, Law Firm CMC, Bogota, Colombia
  - Mr. Auguste Hocking
    Assistant General Counsel, Legal Services International Air Transport Association (IATA), Geneva, Switzerland
- The patchwork of passenger protection regulations: towards a more uniform design?
  Mr. Vincent Correia, Professor of European and International Law, Université de Paris XI, Paris, France
- Registration and de-registration of aircraft
  Mr. Nitin Sarin, Law Offices Sarin, Chandigarh, India
- Bankruptcy of airlines: what next?
  Mr. Carlos Sierra, Partner, Aviation Law Firm Sierra, Mexico City, Mexico

Questions from the audience

15.45 - 16.00 hrs: CONCLUDING REMARKS

16.00 - 17.00 hrs: REFRESHMENTS