The 119th IATP Conference, hosted by Aegean Airlines and supported by Storm Aviation, was held at the Athenaeum Intercontinental Hotel Athens in Greece, from 9th to 13th of March 2019.

More than 430 Airline and Associate Member representatives coming from all over the world attended the conference in order to discuss and finalize terms and conditions for pooling agreements regarding spare parts, aircraft recovery equipment and line maintenance support for the forthcoming season.

The conference enabled IATP Airline Members to review all technical issues affecting the air transport operations, including EASA New Basic Regulation, presented by Mr. Athanassios Tziolas - EASA Liaison Officer in Greece, and SGHA updates, provided by Mr. Dimitrios Sanos - IATA Product Manager Airport & Ground Operations Training.

The delegates had the opportunity to receive an update concerning the state of the art aircraft types being introduced: A320 Neo, A350 XWB, and B777-9.

In Athens, one Airline Member – Neos S.p.a. – and one Associate Member – Storm Aviation – joined the organization.

Over 1500 B2B meetings took place and delegates valued the networking opportunities offered during the conference days. They especially enjoyed the visit of some Athens landmarks such as the Acropolis.

As of 1st of April 2019, Mr. Giorgio Pietra (AZ) will be the new IATP Chairperson; he took the opportunity during the conference to thank the current Chairperson, Mr. San Lucktong (TG), for his dedication and for the significant progresses achieved by IATP during his mandate.

The next IATP Conference will be organized on September 28 – October 2, 2019 in Rome, Italy, and will be hosted by Alitalia.

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The IATP Mission Statement
The IATP is a convention of Airlines sharing Technical Resources to generate economic savings and support on time dispatch reliability and operational safety. The IATP is a non-profit, independent, non-political global organization based on a democratic culture with equal opportunities for all member Airlines and their delegates.

Technical Resources includes, but not limited to, aircraft spare parts, line maintenance, ground handling equipment, aircraft recovery kits and technical training.

About IATP
Today IATP counts 115 airline members and 35 associate members (service providers and OEM) and operate worldwide in about 900 stations; pooling activities cover almost all aircraft types.
All member airlines meet twice per year at conferences held in March and October in different countries.
The organization is managed by the member airlines through the elected Management Committee. The operations are coordinated by a Corporate Office based in Luxembourg.