

Press Release – March 2018

117th IATP Conference in Riga, Latvia on March 10 – 14, 2018: Highlights

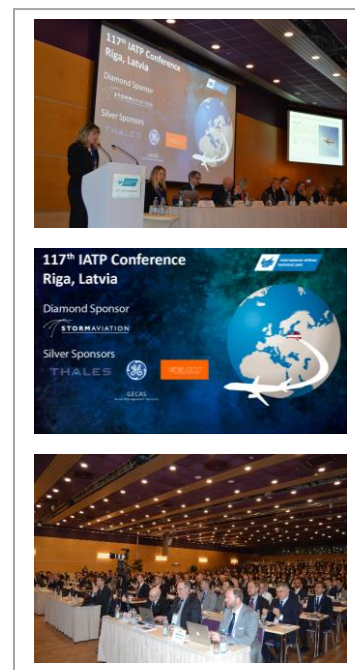
The 117th IATP Conference, supported by Storm Aviation – Diamond Sponsor – and by Thales, GECAS and FEAM – Silver Sponsors, was held at Radisson Blu Latvija Conference & Spa Hotel, from March 10th to 14th, 2018.

During the conference, more than 1,200 meetings were scheduled among the 400 representatives from 108 Airline Members, 35 Associate Members, and several authorized suppliers. The goal was to identify new pooling opportunities and/or negotiate terms and conditions of pooling contracts for the forthcoming season. The participants also had the opportunity to attend sessions aimed at providing updates about IATP pooling activities and the aviation industry in general.

Conference highlights:

- One Airline joined IATP as Member; we warmly welcome Rossiya Airlines.
- IATA Head of Ground Operations, Airport, Passenger, Cargo and Security, Mr. Joseph Suidan, and Aviation Ground Services Agreements (AGSA) Technical Group Chairperson, Mr. Christian Bergfelder, attended the conference. The Management Committee was pleased to better introduce IATP and the pooling, and to discuss opportunities for closer and greater cooperation between the two organizations.
- The presentation of the new version of the Standard Ground Handling Agreement (SGHA), published in January 2018, was appreciated by all line maintenance delegates.
- The dedicated parts pools meetings facilitated the communication of latest updates between same fleet type operators.

The delegates enjoyed the social events organized after the business days as these enabled networking. The cultural performances arranged during the Gala dinner were highly appreciated by all participants.



The next IATP Conference, hosted by GMF AeroAsia, will be held from October 6th to 10th, 2018, in Yogyakarta, Indonesia.

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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 108 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.