

ICAO GLOBAL SYMPOSIUM ON AIR TRANSPORT LIBERALIZATION

(Dubai, United Arab Emirates, 18-19 September 2006)

BULLETIN NO. 1

1. Meeting Venue

1.1 The Symposium will take place on 18 and 19 September 2006 in the Al Multaqua Ballroom at the Dubai International Convention and Exhibition Centre, which is located at the heart of Dubai's business centre on Sheikh Zayed Road, a ten-minute drive from Dubai International Airport (website: www.dicc.ae).

2. Registration of Delegates

2.1 All participants are required to register in order to have access to the Symposium. Pre-registration is encouraged and can be easily completed online.

2.2 For delegates nominated by ICAO Contracting States and invited organizations

- 2.2.1 As requested in the invitation letter, your nominations (including name, position, contact information) should be notified to ICAO by letter or fax (+1 514 954 6744), or e-mail (<u>Duabai2006@icao.int</u>). Once this notification has been done, there are no further additional registration requirements. Your ID badge will be issued against the names as they appear in the official nomination notification. Any change to the nominations should be notified to ICAO soonest possible. Any delegate without an official nomination by his/her Government/Organization shall be treated in the same way as other participants described in 2.3 below.
- 2.3 **For all other participants** (i.e. delegates other than those nominated by ICAO Contracting States and invited organizations)
- 2.3.1 Each such delegate shall pay a moderate fee of USD\$200 for attendance and access to the Symposium functions and meeting proceedings. They may register by:
 - a) completing the registration form online via the internet (at www.icao.int/dubai2006/registration); or
 - b) sending the completed registration form by fax to ICAO (+1 514 954 6744); or
 - c) completing the registration form on site in Dubai before the Symposium.

Delegates registered through a) and b) will receive a confirmation from ICAO within five working days. Cancellation may be made with a full refund before 31 August 2006, after which no refund shall be made.



3. Passport and Visa Entry Requirements

3.1 Nationals from the following States do not require a visa to enter Dubai as they can obtain the entry permit upon arrival:

Gulf Cooperation Council States: Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia

Asia/Pacific: Australia, Brunei, Hong Kong SAR of China, Japan, Malaysia, New Zealand, Singapore, Republic of Korea

Europe: Andorra, Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Monaco, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, San Marino, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom and the Vatican

North America: Canada, United States

- For all other citizens, a visa must be obtained prior to arrival in the United Arab Emirates. Once you have booked your hotel accommodation, your hotel will send you a visa application form and confirmation of the application processing fees. The visa rates applicable are between AED 180 to AED 340 depending on the processing time (Normal process or Urgent process). Please note that these fees are non-refundable. Please allow 7-10 working days in order to process a visa (**note** that Thursdays and Fridays are the public holidays in the UAE). To obtain your visa, you must provide the following documents: a clear photocopy of your passport, a visa form duly completed and signed and a photocopy of the front and back of a valid credit card. Keep in mind that your passport must be valid at least six months beyond your intended stay.
- 3.3 The information given above is subject to change without prior notice. For up-to-date information on visa requirements, please visit the UAE Department of Naturalization and Residency website: www.dnrd.gov.ae/dnrd/VisitVisaInformationEng.htm or contact the UAE Embassy or its representation in your country for further details.

4. Hotels

4.1 Dubai is a busy cosmopolitan city, which caters to many international events all year around. Participants are therefore strongly recommended to book their accommodations as early as possible. The Dubai International Convention and Exhibition Centre (DICEC), which provides conference services and handles all hotel arrangements for the ICAO event, has secured a number of rooms at each of the hotels listed below at discounted rates for the Symposium participants. Please choose your preferred hotel and follow the booking procedures described below. Please note that the deadline for hotel bookings is Thursday, 10 August 2006, after which, all accommodation requests will be subject to availability.

4.2 Hotel List

4.2.1 Detailed information concerning the hotels can be found on their respective websites.

5 Star Hotels

rowne Plaza Hotel

hone: +971 4 3311111 +971 4 3315555 eservation: cpdxb@cpdxb.co.ae www.crownplaza.com

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Dusit Dubai

Phone : +971 4 3433333 Fax : +971 4 3434222

Reservation : reservations@dusitdubai.com
Website : www.dubai.dusit.com

Grand Hyatt Dubai

Phone : +971 4 3171234 Fax : +971 4 3171235

Reservation: reservations.grandhyattdubai@hyattint.com

Website : <u>www.dubai.grand.hyatt.com</u>

Movenpick

Phone : +971 4 3366000 Fax : +971 4 3366626

Reservation : reservations@moevenpick-burdubai.com

Website : <u>www.moevenpick-burdubai.com</u>

Shangrila

Phone : +971 4 3438888 Fax : +971 4 3438886

Reservation : sldb.reservations@shangri-la.com

Website : www.shangri-la.com

4 Star Hotels

Arabian Courtyard

Phone : +971 4 3519111
Fax : +971 4 3517744
Reservation : info@arabiancourt.ae
Website : www.arabiancourtyard.com

Avari

Phone : +971 4 2956666 Fax : +971 4 2959259

Reservation : reservations@avari-dubai.co.ae

Website : <u>www.avari.com</u>

Capitol

Phone : +971 4 3460111 Fax : +971 4 3460333

caphotel@emirates.net.ae : www.capitol-hotel.com

ydges Plaza

thone : +971 4 3982222 : +971 4 3983700

servation : reservations dubai@rydges.ae : www.rydges.com/dubai

Sea View

Phone : +971 4 3558080 Fax : +971 4 3550099

Reservation : seaviewh@emirates.net.ae
Website : www.seaviewhoteldubai.com

Towers Rotana

Phone : +971 4 3438000 Fax : +971 4 3435111

Reservation : towers.hotel@rotana.com

Website : <u>www.rotana.com</u>

3 Star Hotels

Palm Beach Rotana

Phone : +971 4 3931999
Fax : +971 4 3933111
Reservation : palmbhtl@emirates.net.ae

Website : www.rotana.com

Sea Shell Inn

Phone : +971 4 3934777 Fax : +971 4 3934466

Reservation : shellinn@emirates.net.ae
Website : www.seashellinnhotel.com

York International

Phone : +971 4 3555500 Fax : +971 4 3554499

Reservation : yorkintl@emirates.net.ae
Website : www.yorkdubai.com

4.3 Hotel Rates

- 4.3.1 The hotel rates listed below are applicable for the lowest category of rooms from each hotel. These could be Standard rooms, Superior rooms, or Deluxe rooms, depending on the hotel. Club rooms or Suites are specified, as they come with additional facilities. Hotels will specify the category of room when they confirm your reservation. A higher category of room can be requested but is subject to availability and rate of the day.
- It is advisable to reserve your room as early as possible, as the lower priced hotels lend to fill up quickly. Group reservations for more than 20 rooms in the same hotel are available upon request.

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Single	Double	Distance from	Distance from
Occupancy	Occupancy	Airport	Venue
325 AED	375 AED	20 min. drive	10 min. drive
585	770	20	10
470	540	20	10
4 Star Hotels			
730	790	20	10
650	800	20	10
675	745	20	10
590	630	20	5
600	600	20	10
975	1110	20	5
5 Star Hotels			
1380	1500	20	5
1240	1330	20	5
1430	1540	15	10
1025	1210	15	10
930	1200	20	5
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The above rates are in AED Dirhams per night, per room, inclusive of 10% municipality tax, 10% service charge and buffet breakfast. Airport transfers are not included in the above rates. Some hotels offer complimentary transfer whilst some charge a nominal fee. The rates will be advised with your confirmation. There are local taxis available from the airport, and rates to most hotels will not exceed AED 70.

Cancellation policy:

30 days prior to the arrival date - No charge

29 days to 15 days prior to the arrival date – 1 night charge

4 days prior to the arrival date to date of arrival – 2 nights charge

To show – 100 % of total stay

Hotel Booking Process

Delegates are requested to complete the Hotel Booking Form (provided in the achment or downloaded from the Symposium Website) and send it directly to DICEC by fax 971 4 318 8738) or e-mail (globalsymposium@dwtc.com) as indicated in the form.

Delegates will receive an acknowledgement of their booking request within 24 hours me the DICEC, which will allocate the rooms and forward the rooming list to the hotels concerned.

4.4.3 The hotel will send a confirmation letter with relevant details to the delegates for their reference. Should the delegate require a visa to enter Dubai, the visa application form along with the credit card authorization will be forwarded by the hotel for visa processing. Should you need any other assistance, please contact the Symposium Secretariat by e-mail (Dubai 2006@icao.int).

5. Additional information

5.1 Business Hours

5.1.1 Banks are usually open Saturday to Thursday, 08.00 to 13.00 hours and are closed on Fridays. Shopping centres are open Saturday to Thursday from 10.00 hours to 20.00 hours and on Fridays, the larger shopping centres are normally open from 16.00 hours to 22.00 hours.

5.2 Climate

5.2.1 The UAE has a sub-tropical climate with sunny, hot and dry weather most of the year. Temperatures range from a low of 28 °C (84 °F) to a high of 39 °C (103 °F) in September.

5.3 Credit Cards

5.3.1 Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Diners Club are generally accepted in hotels and larger stores but some retailers offer better bargains for cash.

5.4 Currency

5.4.1 The UAE Dirham (AED or Dhs) is made up of 100 fils. Coins are in denominations of AED 1, 50 fils, 25 fils, 10 fils and 5 fils. Notes are in denominations of AED 5, 10, 50, 100, 200, 500 and 1000. The Dirham is fully convertible and is pegged to the US dollar at a current exchange rate of US 1.00 = AED 3.67.

5.5 Communications

5.5.1 Global links, including GSM mobile telephones, pagers and internet service are world-class and inexpensive. Local and foreign television, radio, newspapers, magazines and books are readily available.

5.6 **Dress Code**

5.6.1 No restrictions are imposed on visitors but modest dress is recommended in public places. Beachwear is acceptable at beach clubs and hotel pools.

5.7 Electricity

5.7.1 The electricity is 220/230 volts A/C and most sockets are three-pin. Although adaptors are available in most hotels, you may want to purchase one at your departure airport.

Health

No specific vaccinations are required to enter the country; however, it would be wise check beforehand if you are travelling from a health-risk area.

Language

Although Arabic is the official language, English is widely spoken.

5.10 Liquor

5.10.1 Alcohol is freely available in hotels, clubs, restaurants and bars; however, many restaurants outside hotels do not have a licence to serve alcoholic beverages.

5.11 Safety

5.11.1 The UAE is considered to be one of the safest places in the world to visit with a very crime low. It is, however, advisable to take out travel insurance and to take the normal precautions to safeguard yourself and your valuables.

5.12 Transportation

5.12.1 Taxis in Dubai are easily available. They are metered and are a popular and inexpensive way to get around Dubai. Many hotels provide regular shuttles buses that follow set routes around the city. Hiring a car is also easy as European and international driving licences are accepted by most car-hire companies.

5.13 **Time**

5.13.1 The local time in Dubai is GMT + 4 hours. The time does not change in the summer.

5.14 **Tipping**

5.14.1 Tipping practices are similar to most parts of the world. Where no service charge is included, it is customary to leave 10% as a tip to the service staff.

5.15 Useful Telephone Numbers

Country dialing code: +971
Dubai area code: (0) 4
Fire: 997
Ambulance: 998
Police: 999

5.16 Water

5.16.1 Tap water is considered safe to use; however, you may prefer the taste of bottled water.





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Hotel Reservation Form

Deadline for hotel reservation: Thursday, 10th August 2006!

Please use CAPITAL letters. Please complete and Fax to: + 971 (0) 4 318 8738 OR email to: globalsymposium@dwtc.com **Delegate Details:** Last name: Mr/Ms/Mrs First name(s) Company: Mailing address: Postal code: Citv: Phone: Country Fax: Cell Phone: Email: Accompanying Person Details: (sharing the room, if any) Last name: Mr/Ms/Mrs First name(s) Visa Requirements Delegate Nationality: Do you require a visa? Yes □ No □ Accompanying Person Nationality Do you require a visa? Yes □ No □ Flight Schedule Arriving Flight No. Date Time: Departure Flight No. Date Time: Accommodation. Please tick. All hotel bookings will only be processed with credit card details. First choice: Second choice: Third Choice Please take a copy for your own record! **Payment Details** Please use the below mentioned card for the 1st night charge as a guarantee. Balance amount will be settled directly upon check out. **VISA** Master Card Amex Card Number: **Expiry Date** Name of cardholder (please use CAPITAL letters!) Date: Signature