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# Introduction to Agenda Item 1:

Regulatory Overview –  
Global and Regional



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# Part I

## Global Trends

### *Highlights*



# Broader trends

Broader trends that impact on international air transport:

- Political
- Economic
- Technological

# Political and economic trends

- Geopolitical
- Market economy
- Travel / tourism boom
- Globalization, liberalization, privatization

# Technological trends

- Telecommunications
- Automation
- Consumer power

# Air Transport trends

- Regulatory
- Industry
- Future prospects

# Regulatory trends

- Liberalization of the market place
- Changing government / industry relationships
- New regionalism
- Changing negotiating environment (EC etc)

# Airline and industry trends

- Alliances
- Global shocks to industry health
- Changing market place and travel patterns
- Industry restructuring and new business models
- Impact of automation



# Future prospects

- Airline restructuring and remodeling
- New entrants and airline survival
- Regional blocs and plurilateralism
- Increasing importance of competition laws



## Part II

# Regulatory and industry developments

## *Highlights*

# I. Regulatory developments

- Transit agreement
- Bilateral liberalization
  - 650 agreements (70% with liberalization measures)
  - 87 “open skies” (70 States)

## II - Regulatory developments

### ● Market access summary

- 85% involved in liberalization
- 65% involved in full market access arrangements

# Regional liberalization

- 12 regional agreements and arrangements (1 EUR, 5 AF, 1 ME, 2 APAC, 3 LAM)
- 1 plurilateral (APEC – “Kona”)
- ? North Atlantic Open Aviation Area

# World Trade Organization (WTO-OMC)

● GATS

● Update on developments

# Industry developments

- Airline alliances
  - Codesharing and cooperation
  - Global alliances
- Privatization
- Mergers, acquisitions and transnational ownership

# Regional developments in the Middle East

- Liberalization
- Bilateral links and traffic links (WP/3, Appendices B and C)
- State aid and support
- Privatization and ownership
- Alliances