

# Africa's new dawn: Aviation's resilience, recovery and growth in a post-Covid era

## DAY ONE - 12th September 2022

08:30 - 09:45	<b>Registration and exhibition opens</b>	
09:50 - 09:55	<b>Introduction from Summit Chairman</b>	Alan Peaford, Chairman, Aviation Africa (UK)
09:55 - 10:00	<b>Welcome from UGAACO</b>	Daniel Lefebvre, President, UGAACO and General Manager, AERCO (Republic of Congo)
10:00 - 10:05	<b>Welcome to Rwanda</b>	Dr. Ernest Nsabimana, Minister of Infrastructure, Rwanda
10:05 - 10:15	<b>Industry response</b>	H.E. Akbar Al Baker, Group CEO, Qatar Airways (Qatar)
10:15 - 10:30	<b>Official welcome and opening</b>	H.E. Paul Kagame, President of Rwanda
10:30 - 10:45	Brief break for Presidential entourage to depart	
10:45 - 11:00	<b>Time to change in post-Covid Africa</b>	Stephen Achenyo Musa, Ag. Director of Air Transport, AFCAC (Sénégal)
11:00 - 11:10	<b>Defence and civil - collaboration and support</b>	Lt. Gen. Jean-Jacques Mupenzi, Chief of Staff, Rwanda Air Force (Rwanda)
11:10 - 11:20	<b>Lessons learned from Covid to stimulate revival and growth</b>	Kamil Al Alwadi, Regional VP, IATA
11:20 - 11:30	<b>African unity but challenges ahead</b>	Abderahmane Berthé, Secretary General, African Airlines Association
11:30 - 12:00	<b>Coffee break sponsored by NavPass &amp; Rolls-Royce</b>	
12:00 - 13:00	<b>Airline leaders address the issues of today and tomorrow</b>	Yvonne Manzi Makolo, Managing Director, RwandAir (Rwanda) Allan Kilavuka, Group MD & CEO, Kenya Airways (Kenya) Miles van der Molen, Chief Executive Officer, CemAir (South Africa) Eduardo Fairen Soria, CEO, TAAG Angola Airlines (Angola) Mesfin Tasew, Group CEO, Ethiopian Airlines (Ethiopia) Sanjeev Gadhia, CEO, Astral Aviation (Kenya) Moderator: Victoria Moores, Air Transport Editor, "African Aerospace" and "Air Transport World" (UK)
	<i>African airline CEOs debate the key issues facing industry. From the real challenge of sustainability charges to combating the high costs of operation that inhibit growth. The restrictions that hinder intra Africa expansion and the growing threat of airlines from neighbouring regions sweeping up passengers and cargo</i>	
13:00 - 14:00	<b>Lunch</b>	
14:00 - 14:30	<b>One-on-one: State of the disunion</b>	Alan Peaford and H.E. Akbar Al Baker talk about the changing world of aviation post-Covid
	<i>As one of the great global influencers in the aviation world, H.E. Akbar Al Baker will take part in a wide-ranging discussion with Conference Chairman Alan Peaford</i>	
14:30 - 15:15	<b>New beginning: Start-ups to boost revival but finance is an issue</b>	Gidon Novick, Co-Founder, LIFT Airline (South Africa) James Geldenhuys, Head Aircraft Finance, Nedbank Corporate & Investment Banking (South Africa) Elze Le Roux, General Manager, Africa, ACIA Aero Leasing (South Africa) Nuno Pereira, Managing Director, bestfly (Angola) Hussein Dabbas, General Manager - Africa & Middle East, Embraer/Commercial Aviation (Jordan) Jonathan Norman, Head of Aviation Business Development, Avia Pro Consulting (Canada) Airbus Moderator: Emmanuel Kanabe, Founder, Aviation Partners Africa (UK)
	<i>A whole host of new airlines are entering passenger and freight markets. What will they do differently? Will they be disruptors and how will they find the financial backing to have a chance of success?</i>	
15:15 - 15:45	<b>Tea break sponsored by SKYPLAN</b>	
15:45 - 16:00	<b>Keynote: OEM leader</b>	TBC: Boeing/Airbus
	<i>How industry majors apply CSR to benefit Africa community and will drive innovation for environment and diversity around the world</i>	
16:00 - 16:40	<b>Panel: Aviation's attractiveness diminished - how to inspire recruits</b>	Ivana Alvares-Marshall, Governor African Section, Ninety Nines Fadimatou Noutchemo Simo, Country Manager, AfriJet (Cameroon) Krista Vandermeulen, CEO, WeCair (France) Captain Edward Njeru, Safarilink Aviation (Kenya) Neil Fraser, Business Development Director, Spectrum Aviation (Ireland) Moderator: Victoria Moores, Air Transport Editor, "African Aerospace" and "Air Transport World" (UK)
	<i>How can Africa find the right people to give the industry a long-term future? Diversity in recruitment and more emphasis on aviation as an achievable career. Developing training in-country and government support to extend education have all been aired – but where are we now? How real are these ambitions?</i>	
16:40 - 16:55	<b>KEYNOTE: Risk</b>	Rick Howell, Aviation Operational Risk Consulting Leader, Marsh (UK)
16:55 - 17:25	<b>Preparing for the worst, hoping for the best and telling it how it is.</b>	Craig Rooney, Partner, Clyde & Co. LLP (UK) Simon Knechtli, Executive Director Aerospace, Willis Towers Watson (UK)
	<i>This session looks at preparedness for the day we dread. Are we ready for crisis? What airlines should do to prepare ... and how to act when the crisis happens</i>	
17:25	<b>Closing remarks</b>	Alan Peaford, Chairman, Aviation Africa (UK)
17:30	<b>Conference closes</b>	
	<b>Gala reception sponsored by RCAA</b>	

## DAY TWO - 13th September 2022

09:00 - 09:45	<b>Exhibition opens and networking break</b>	
09:45 - 09:50	<b>Introduction to Day 2</b>	Alan Peaford, Chairman, Aviation Africa (UK)
09:50 - 10:00	<b>KEYNOTE:</b>	Barry Kashambo, Regional Director, ESAF Office, ICAO UN (Kenya)
10:00 - 10:30	<b>Panel: Technology and modernisation to change our skies</b>	Ms. Nozipho Portia Mdawe, CEO, ATNS (South Africa) Captain Musa Shuaibu Nuhu, Director General & CEO, Nigeria CAA (Nigeria) Gabriel Lesa, Director General, Zambia CAA (Zambia) Sémou Diouf, Director JPO, SatNav Africa (Sénégal) Captain David Subek Dada, CEO & Director General, South Sudan CAA (South Sudan) Moses Ngwanah, COO, GS Aviation (Madagascar) Moderator: Frédéric Legrand, Senior Project Manager, FoxLima Consult (France)
	<i>How modernisation and regional collaboration will bring Africa's aviation industry new opportunities. With satellite navigation improvements under an AU backed venture Africa's ANS would change.</i>	
	<i>Meanwhile calls for collaboration between military and civil authorities could also aid the improvement for operators.</i>	
	<i>Introduction of commercial drone traffic is bringing attention to Africa – but what are the challenges for air traffic management and navigation providers?</i>	
10:30 - 11:15	<b>Emission Impossible: The sustainability challenge</b>	Sanjeev Gadhia, CEO, Astral Aviation (Kenya) Patrick Baudis, Vice President, MHIRJ Aero Advisory Services (Canada) Jason Sutcliffe, Regional Marketing Director - EMEA, Rolls-Royce (UAE) Cisse Abdoulaye, Group COO, NAS (Kuwait) Georges Touma, Business Development Senior Manager for Airport & Master System Integration, SITA (UAE) Moderator: Mark Pilling, Consultant Editor, Times Aerospace (UK)
	<i>How will Africa meet sustainability targets. What chance for SAF availability? what technology will be available or affordable for Africa? How will we reduce emissions in key areas like freight movements? And above all - who will ay?</i>	
11:15 - 12:00	<b>Coffee break</b>	
12:00 - 12:15	<b>KEYNOTE: Innovation</b>	Airbus
12:15 - 13:00	<b>Panel: The future is now</b>	Melissa Rusanganwa, Head of Africa Regulatory Affairs, Zipline International Inc. (USA) Ingabire Muziga Mamy, Managing Director, Charis UAS (Rwanda) Col. Silas Udahemuka, Director General, Rwanda CAA (Rwanda) Neil Cloughley, CEO & Founder, Faradair (UK) Moderator: Alan Peaford, Chairman, Aviation Africa (UK)
	<i>Africa has led the way to drive forward the use of drones for medical supplies but there are many other opportunities ahead too. From cargo drones to airship safaris, the opportunities are endless – with employment opportunities too. With an opening of aviation routes, could Africa also be a test-bed for 19-seat hybrid airliners. We look into the future ... and ask when? And what can expedite innovation?</i>	
13:00 - 14:30	<b>Lunch</b>	
14:30 - 15:15	<b>Bringing essential support to the African continent</b>	Aymeric Méchin, VP Africa & Middle East, AFI KLM E&M (France) Dawit Lemma, Founder and CEO, Krimson Aviation (Ethiopia) Marc-Karim Vermette, Head of Commercial, SAEI (Saudi Arabia) Edmund Makona, COO, UTD. Aviation Solutions (Zimbabwe) Giorgio Pietra, President/Board of Directors, IATP (Luxembourg) Moderator: Hisham Hassan Nasser, Chairman Consultant, Egyptair M&E (Egypt)
	<i>Africa has long bemoaned the lack of MRO facilities with the already financially penalised airlines having to fly inter-continental to get essential checks. But is the market ready to bring support closer to home? Is there room for partnership? How do MRO service providers help Africa achieve this goal?</i>	
15:15 - 16:00	<b>Staying safe and regaining confidence</b>	Ed Jancewicz, Sales Director - Asia & Africa, Callington (Singapore) Paul Chen, Founder, VX Consulting (USA) Airline wellness Chloë Greenbank, Airports Editor, "African Aerospace" and Regional Gateway (UK)
	<i>Passenger confidence is essential to bring back airline passengers. Covid has brought some focus but the panel will debate whether it is enough.</i>	
16:00 - 16:15	<b>Closing speech</b>	Dr. Ernest Nsabimana, Minister of Infrastructure, Rwanda
16:15	<b>Event ends - Aviation Africa 2022 reveal</b>	Alan Peaford, Chairman, Aviation Africa (UK) & Hon. Hadi Sirika, Minister for Aviation, Nigeria

**NB: All names shown are invited speakers but names and topics could change for unforeseen circumstances**