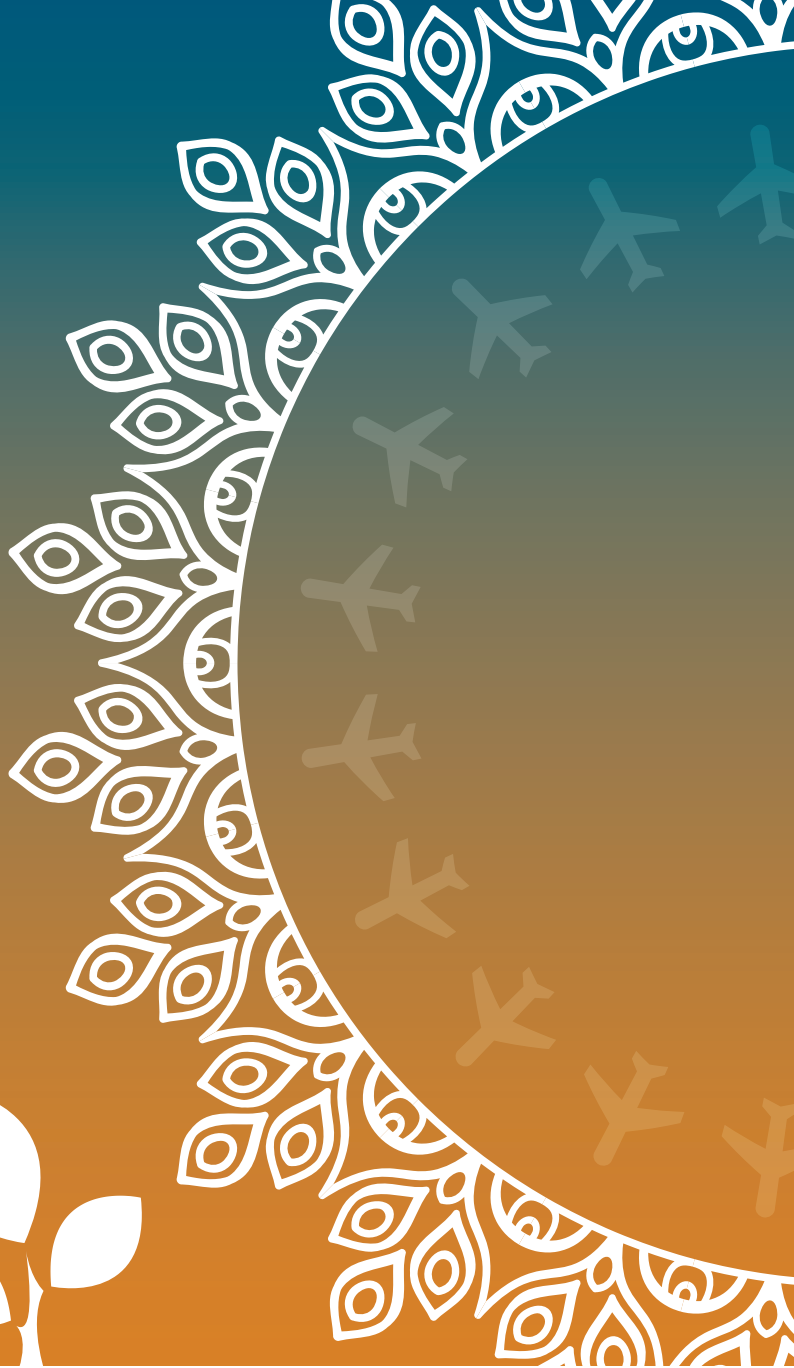


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## 19 April 2023, Wednesday

**18:00** • On-site registration

**19:30** • Evening cocktail and light dinner

## DAY 1 – 20 April 2023, Thursday

**09:30 – 10:00** • Registration and welcome coffee

**10:00 – 11:00** • Introductory remarks and inauguration

The inauguration of the EU-India Aviation Summit will set the scene for the summit and offer a high-level overview of the EU-India aviation relations state of play. The dignitaries will touch upon the most pertinent issues, including decarbonisation, fostering innovation and EU-India connectivity, aviation safety, and the prospects for promoting further cooperation.

- Welcome remarks by Mr Rajiv Bansal, Secretary, Ministry of Civil Aviation
- Address by Gen. (Dr.) V. K. Singh (Retd.), Minister of State for Civil Aviation
- Address by H.E. Andreas Carlson, Minister of Infrastructure and Housing, Sweden
- Address by H.E. Adina Vălean, European Commissioner for Transport
- Address by H.E. Jyotiraditya M. Scindia, Minister for Civil Aviation

**11:00 – 11:30** • Coffee break and visit of the B2B exhibition space

**11:30 – 12:45** • Session 1: EU-India connectivity: trends, challenges and opportunities

Leading airlines and airport figures will share their vision of EU-India air connectivity and the potential for developing the market further. Panellists will share insights on the latest trends for passenger and cargo markets, including the low-cost segment. They will discuss key challenges and opportunities for closer air transport links between India and the European Union.

**Moderator: Mr Olivier Jankovec, Director-General, Airports Council International Europe**

**Participants:**

- Mr Campbell Wilson, Chief Executive Officer, Air India
- Mr József Váradi, Chief Executive Officer, WizzAir
- Mr Pieter Elbers, Chief Executive Officer, IndiGo
- Mr Sanjeev Kumar, Chairman, Airports Authority of India
- Mr Julian Jäger, Chief Executive Officer, Vienna International Airport
- Mr Stefan Kreuzpaintner, SVP Network & Mobility Lufthansa Group

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## 12:45 – 13:30 • Fireside chat

Eamonn Brennan will sit down with the top-level aviation public servants from India and the EU to get insight views on the most pressing regulatory issues in aviation today.

**Moderator: Mr Eamonn Brennan, Former Director-General EUROCONTROL, former Chief Executive Officer, Irish Aviation Authority and industry analyst**

**Participants:**

- Shri Rajiv Bansal, Secretary, Ministry of Civil Aviation
- Mr Henrik Hololei, Director-General, Mobility and Transport, European Commission

## 13.00 – 14:45 • Lunch

## 14:45 – 16:00 • Session 2: Environmental sustainability challenges for aviation

How can the aviation sector reach net-zero emissions? This panel will bring together industry representatives to discuss the shared objective of reducing the sector's carbon footprint . Panellists will discuss how to achieve net-zero carbon emissions and the toolbox for greening the sector, including sustainable aviation fuels and aviation industry initiatives to increase energy efficiency of aircraft and airports as part of a globally sustainable air transport network.

**Moderator: Shri Sunil Kumar, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas**

**Participants:**

- Mr Arun Bansal, Chief Executive Officer, Adani Airport Holdings Ltd
- Dr. SSV Ramakumar, Director (Research & Development) and Board Member, Indian Oil
- Praj Industries – senior representative
- Mr Thorsten Lange, Executive Vice President, Renewable Aviation, Neste
- Ms Eveliina Huurre, Senior Vice President, Sustainability, Finnair
- Mr Damien Cazé, Director General of Civil Aviation, France

## 16:00 – 16:30 • High Tea

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**16:30 – 17:45**

• **Session 3: Technical Cooperation and innovation in the aerospace sector**

Leading figures among European and Indian regulators and industry will together review the state of play and prospects for EU-India cooperation in the aerospace sector, touching on innovation as well as regulatory cooperation.

**Moderator: Mr Filip Cornelis, Director Aviation, Directorate-General Mobility and Transport, European Commission**

**Participants:**

- Mr Arun Kumar, Director-General of Civil Aviation
- Hindustan Aeronautics Limited – senior representative
- Mr Patrick Ky, Executive Director, European Union Aviation Safety Agency
- Mr Remi Maillard, President, Airbus India, and Managing Director, Airbus South Asia
- Mr Javier Ruano, Director of Air Traffic Management (ATM) Operations, Indra

**17:45 – 18:30**

• **Contribution of Women in Civil Aviation**

Work remains still to be done to close the gender gap in aviation. This session will reflect on how we can improve the gender balance in the aviation sector with more gender-responsive policies and capacity building. It will also showcase successful role models to inspire current and future generations of female aviation professionals.

**18:30 – 19:30**

• **Break**

**19.30 - onwards**

• **Gala Dinner**

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## DAY 2 – 21 April 2023, Friday

**09:45 – 11:00**

• **Session 4:**

**New approaches to the challenge of growth and congestion in the air and on the ground**

India and the EU face common challenges in ensuring that their air transport systems are fit for purpose in order to meet growing demand and the expectations of citizens, passengers and businesses. Drawing on the experiences of SESAR in Europe and current Indian initiatives on ATM, panellists will exchange best practices for addressing challenges caused by the rapid growth in air transport, congestion in the air and on the ground as well as the need to ensure efficiency and resilience throughout the aviation value chain. The panel will also address investment needs for the sector, such as airport infrastructure, and sustainability initiatives such as the rollout of sustainable aviation fuels, intermodal transport and more fuel-efficient aircraft.

**Moderator: Mr Raúl Medina Caballero, Director-General, Eurocontrol**

**Participants:**

- Mr Vineet Gulati, Former Member (ANS), Airports Authority of India
- Videh Kumar Jaipurkar, Chief Executive Officer, Delhi International Airport Ltd
- Mr Jaideep Prasad, Joint Director General, Bureau of Civil Aviation Security
- Mr Christian Rivierre, Vice President, Airspace Mobility Solutions, Thales
- Mr Andreas Boschen, Executive Director, SESAR 3 Joint Undertaking

**11:00 – 11:30**

• **Coffee Break**

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**11:15-12:45**

• **Session 5: Unmanned endeavors: The potential for Urban Air Mobility and Unmanned Aircraft Systems and the emerging regulatory framework**

India and the EU are leading players in the development of regulatory approaches for drone operations as well as emerging Vertical Take-off and Landing aircraft. Highlighting the potential for deepening industrial cooperation between European and Indian firms, this panel will take stock of the approaches to regulating drones and a forward-looking view at the remaining challenges such as the development of the U-space, safe and sustainable urban air mobility and deliveries.

**Moderator: Mr Zulfiqar Hasan, Director General, Bureau of Civil Aviation Security**

**Participants:**

- Prof Satya Chakravarthy, IIT Chennai (Indian Institute of Technology)
- Senior representative, IdeaForge
- Senior representative, IOTechWorld
- Mr Joachim Luecking, Head of Unit, Aviation Safety, Directorate General for Mobility & Transport, European Commission
- Ms Rachel Daeschler, Certification Director, European Union Aviation Safety Agency

**12:45 – 13:15**

• **Closing remarks**

- Mr Rajiv Bansal, Secretary, Ministry of Civil Aviation
- H.E. Ugo Astuto, Ambassador of the European Union to India

**13:15 - onwards**

• **Networking lunch**