

EUROPEAN AIR LAW ASSOCIATION



10TH MUNICH LIABILITY SEMINAR

Liability, passenger rights, and insurance
in the air transport and aerospace industries

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EALA is pleased to invite you to attend its 10th Munich Liability Seminar which will be held in Hilton Hotel Munich Airport.

Ever since the series of Munich Liability Seminars was started by EALA in 1997 liability developments and claims handling in the air transport and aerospace industries were the focus of these conferences, presented and discussed by leading experts and prominent moderators.

The 10th Munich Liability Seminar will again cover a wide range of topical issues:

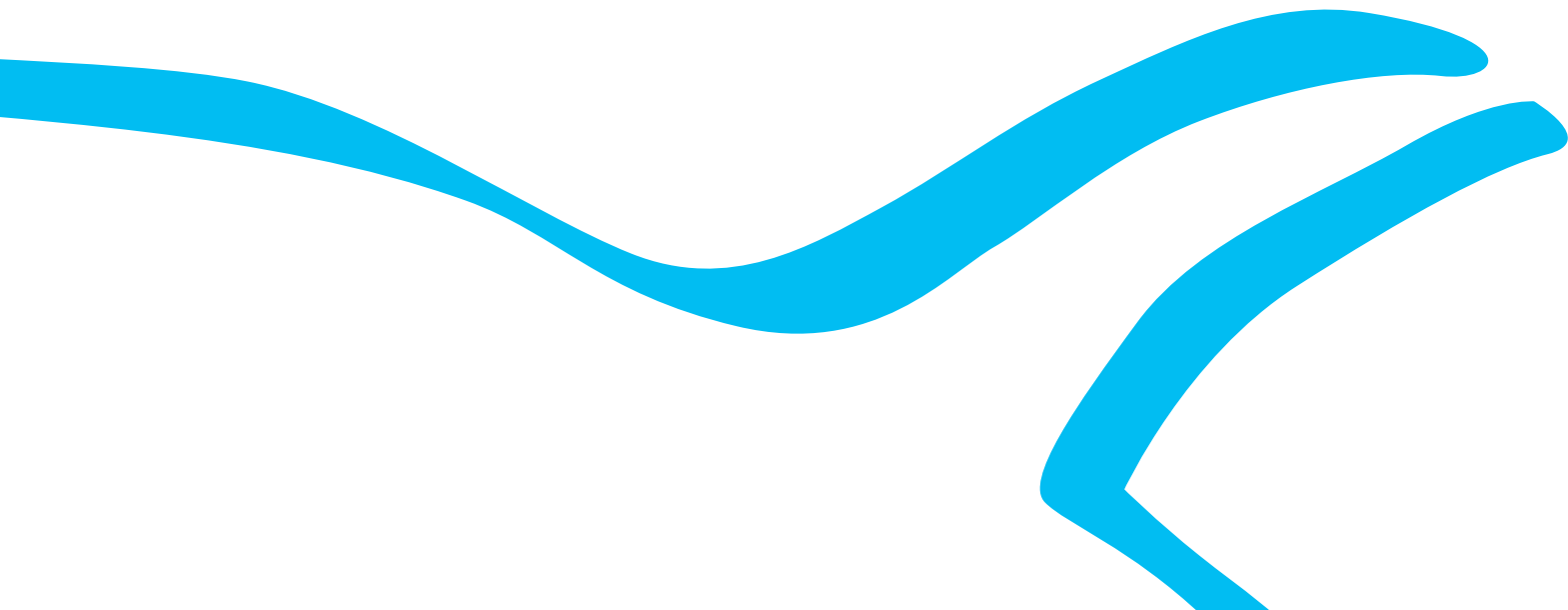
- New air traffic management technology will improve safety, but may change liability risks for manufacturers and operators. Will this require new liability insurance solutions?
- Regulation 261/2004 - current issues and how air carriers can respond
- Liability issues resulting from overflight of conflict zones
- Update on toxic fumes in aircraft and air traffic disruptions resulting from volcanic ashes
- Update on liability of airports for birdstrikes
- Perhaps now more than ever, airframe manufacturers have available to them a range of strong defenses in aviation accident litigation filed in the United States, including reinvigorated defenses based on personal jurisdiction and forum non conveniens.
- The Germanwings crash has stirred a debate about whether moral damages/pain and suffering awards for victims of aviation accidents and their families should be increased. It has been proposed that an international instrument should govern these damages.

We invite all aviation lawyers, airline, insurance and re-insurance industry, aircraft and aircraft engine finance, aerospace industry and airport representatives as well as government officials and academics to join us for this comprehensive programme.

The one-day format and the timing of the very successful previous liability seminars have been retained in order to allow the delegates to travel to and from Munich the same day from most places in Europe.

The venue is as always the award winning Hilton Hotel Munich Airport (formerly: Kempinski), a few steps away from the gates of Munich Airport, a young and dynamic airport with continuously high rankings in international airport surveys.

You are cordially invited to attend the conference dinner on Sunday evening, 13th September 2015. For this we will leave the hotel for a very special visit: All dinner participants will be taken by coach to the main building of Munich Re in downtown Munich for an exclusive guided tour of the landmark building and the Munich Re art collection. The dinner will follow with a presentation on the Zeppelin NT airship by the CEO of the Zeppelin holding company. After the dinner the participants will be taken back to the Hilton Hotel Munich Airport.



PROGRAMME

SUNDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER 2015

CONFERENCE DINNER

19:00

Departure of all dinner participants by coach from the Hilton Hotel Munich Airport (there will be a meeting point in the lobby of the hotel near the main entrance)

19:30

Arrival at the headquarters of Munich Re and exclusive guided tour of the landmark building and the Munich Re art collection

20:30

Dinner at the Seehaus Restaurant in the English Garden park.

DINNER SPEECH:

Michael Schieschke, COO of Zeppelin: "The design and operation of the new Zeppelin NT airship"
(after the dinner a coach will take all dinner participants back to the Hilton Hotel Munich Airport)

MONDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER 2015

LIABILITY SEMINAR – Hilton Hotel Munich Airport

10:00 – 10:10

WELCOME ADDRESS:

Pablo Mendes de Leon, President of EALA, Professor of Air and Space Law, University of Leiden

INTRODUCTION:

P. Nikolai Ehlers, Ehlers Ehlers & Partner, Munich

10:10 – 11:10

Automation of ATM systems and its product liability insurance coverage

MODERATOR:

Roland Küsters, Underwriter and Legal Counsel, Munich Re, Munich

PANELLISTS:

Roger Sethsson, Head of Aerospace, Aviation, Inter Hannover, Stockholm

Anna Masutti, LX Lexjus Sinacta, Professor of Air Law, Bologna

11:10 – 11:30

 Coffee/tea break

11:30 – 12:55

Regulation 261/2004 – Update and current issues

MODERATOR:

Laura Pierallini, Studio Pierallini, Rome

PANELLISTS:

Regula Dettling-Ott, VP EU Affairs, Lufthansa, Brussels

Marcos Alvarez, Company Secretary and General Counsel, Vueling, Barcelona

Ursula Sperber, Head of Legal Europe, Etihad, Berlin

Anna Burchacinska-Manko, MMMLegal, Warsaw

Stephan Eriksson, Liman & Partners, Stockholm

12:55 – 14:15

 Lunch

14:15 – 14:40

Overflight of conflict zones and liability issues: Case study of Ukraine

SPEAKER:

Oleksiy Burchevskyy, Legal Counsel, Wizz Air Ukraine, Kiev

14:40 – 15:10

Toxic fumes in aircraft and air traffic disruptions caused by volcanic ashes – an update

SPEAKER:

Ulla Norrhäll, Aviation Claims Lawyer, Munich Re, Munich

15:10 – 15:35

Liability of airports for birdstrikes

SPEAKER:

Berin Ridjanovic, Legal Counsel, Sarajevo International Airport, Sarajevo

15:35 – 15:55

 Tea/coffee break

15:55 – 16:25

Airframe manufacturers and the new civil liability regime in the U.S.: Key advances in how airframe manufacturers defend aviation accident lawsuits in the U.S.

SPEAKER:

Thad T. Dameris, Arnold & Porter, Houston

16:25 – 17:50

Should moral damages/pain and suffering awards for victims of aviation accidents and their families be increased

MODERATOR:

Nick Hughes, Holman Fenwick Willan, London

PANELLISTS:

Chris Thomale, University of Heidelberg Law School, Heidelberg

Jeanne O'Grady, Speiser, Krause, Nolan & Granito, Rye Brook, New York

Carlos Villacorta, BCV Lex, Madrid

Ole Schröder, Head of Corporate Insurance, SAS, Copenhagen

Rodolfo Lebrero, Lebrero Abogados, Madrid

17:50 – 18:00

CLOSING REMARKS

Pablo Mendes de Leon and **P. Nikolai Ehlers**

18:00 – 18:30

Cocktail reception

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

CONFERENCE DINNER, SUNDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER 2015

All delegates are invited to attend the Conference Dinner. A coach will take the dinner participants to the main building of Munich Re in downtown Munich (Königinstrasse 107) for an exclusive guided tour of the landmark building and the Munich Re art collection. A dinner at the Seehaus Restaurant in the English Garden park will follow the tour. All dinner participants have to meet at the meeting point in the lobby of the Hilton Hotel Munich Airport at 19:00 on Sunday, 13 September 2015. EUR 95 will be charged per person for the Conference Dinner including drinks, coach transportation, and the guided tour of the Munich Re art collection.

CONFERENCE VENUE

Hilton Hotel Munich Airport, Terminalstrasse/Mitte 20
85356 Munich

REGISTRATION FEE

Seminar (including lunch, coffee and tea breaks, cocktail reception): EUR 595 for members of EALA (as of 13 September 2015) and EUR 695 for non-members.

Please note that the reduced registration fee for members of EALA is available only to those who have become paid-up members or whose companies/organisations have become paid-up corporate members for 2015 by 13 September 2015.

Payment may be made, please, in either of the following ways (in order of preference):

Direct transfer to the following bank account, identifying the name of the attendee:

Deutsche Bank AG, Promenadeplatz 15, D-80333 Munich, Germany (sort code: 700 700 24);
Account # 166270900;
IBAN code: DE97 7007 0024 0166 2709 00 ;
SWIFT code: DEUTDE33HAN30;
Account holder: Dr. P. Nikolai Ehlers (European Air Law Association)

In case of bank transfer, please make sure that any banking fees charged by the bank in your country or by the bank in Germany will be borne by you.

Cheque drawn on a German bank.

REGISTRATIONS AND ENQUIRIES

The closing date for reservations is 8 September 2015, although the organisers may, at their discretion, accept later reservations. Acceptance of registrations is conditional upon availability of space. Registrations may be made by completing the enclosed form and sending it to the:

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No registrations will be accepted without payment. Upon payment we will send you a registration confirmation.

CANCELLATION/CHANGES

Cancellations can be accepted up to 10 September 2015, subject to deduction of EUR 80 to cover administration and overheads. Cancellations should be notified to EALA at the address given above (fax: +49/89/2109 6999). No refunds will be given for any cancellation received after 10 September 2015. The name of the delegate may be changed at any time before commencement of the Seminar at no extra charge.

PROGRAMME CONTENT

The language of the Seminar will be English. While every effort will be made to maintain the programme as described, EALA reserves the right to alter the content or the names of the speakers without advance notice.

CPD CREDITS

EALA has been authorised by the Solicitors Regulation Authority, the independent regulatory authority of the Law Society of England and Wales, to accredit courses for the purposes of the Authority's Continuous Professional Development Scheme, under reference BXX/EALA.

ATTENDANCE CERTIFICATION

To obtain a certificate of attendance in respect of the conference, please contact Ms. Annette Dehmel, email: a.dehmel@eep-law.de

NEDERLANDSE ORDE VAN ADVOKATEN

For Dutch lawyers, please instead contact Paula van der Wulp, email p.vanderwulp@law.leidenuniv.nl

HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

A limited number of rooms for the nights of 13 and 14 September 2015 has been reserved at the Hilton Hotel Munich Airport at a reduced rate of EUR 199 per night for a single room and EUR 233 for a double room (including breakfast and tax). Bookings should be made directly with the hotel and reference should be made to: EALA. The deadline for this offer is 31 August 2015, but booking as early as possible is highly recommended as the offer is subject to availability.

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