

AIR TRANSPORT ACTION GROUP

The Air Transport Action Group (ATAG) was formed in 1990 by IATA with the support of Airbus Industrie and Boeing Commercial Airplane Group to press for aviation infrastructure improvements worldwide. In mid-2003, ATAG's 80 members included airports, airlines, manufacturers, air traffic management organizations, airline pilot and air traffic controller unions, chambers of commerce and travel and tourism organizations.

ATAG actively supports the expansion and development of air traffic control capabilities, airport capacity and surface access to meet forecast growth. To help persuade governments, decision-makers and the public of the need for urgent action, ATAG produces videos, booklets, and a quarterly newsletter on infrastructure and air traffic congestion issues.

The group actively supports ICAO's Future Air Navigation System (FANS), a system which would permit greatly improved use of airspace by use of satellite communication, navigation and surveillance. It is also lobbying for the harmonization and integration of Europe's air traffic and airports systems and the introduction of a single European air traffic management system. In the Asia-Pacific region, the group is pressing for coordinated government action to solve future expected congestion problems.

Membership: In 2003, ATAG had around 80 member organizations.

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