

## Multilateral / Regional Agreements, Arrangements and Commitments for Liberalization

Agreement / Arrangement	Year of Conclusion	Parties
<b>Africa</b>		
<a href="#">Yamoussoukro Declaration on a New African Air Transport Policy (commitments)</a>	- Adopted on 7 Oct 1988 (by Transport Ministers); - Amended on 9 Sep 1994	All member States of AU
<a href="#">Yamoussoukro Decision (YD) Relating to the Implementation of the Yamoussoukro Declaration Concerning the Liberalization of Access to Air Transport Markets in Africa</a> (Ministerial Decision) of the African Union (AU), then Organization of African Unity (OAU)	- Adopted on 14 Nov 1999 (by Transport Ministers); - Signed on 12 Jul 2000 (by Heads of State); - EIF on 12 Aug 2000 for 44 States who ratified Abuja Treaty	Algeria, Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Dem. Rep. of the Congo, Congo, Cote D'Ivoire, Djibouti*, Egypt, Equatorial Guinea***, Eritrea**, Ethiopia, Gabon*, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea Bissau, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Madagascar*, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania***, Mauritius (withdrew in 2004), Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Rwanda, Sahrawi Arab Democratic Republic, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Somalia*, South Africa***, Sudan, Swaziland***, Tanzania, Togo, Tunisia, Uganda, Zambia and Zimbabwe; [States with * mark did not ratify Abuja Treaty; State with ** did not sign Abuja Treaty; States with *** mark ratified Abuja Treaty after 12 Aug 2000]
<a href="#">Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA) Air Transport Liberalisation Programme</a>	- Adopted in May 1999 (Legal Notice No. 2 of 1999); - Phase I was applied on 1 Oct 1999; - Phase II was put in abeyance in December 2000 awaiting the Competition Regulations of 2004 and the Joined Competition Authority (JCA) of 2008 and its subsequent operationalization.	Angola (withdrew from COMESA activities in 2006)*, Burundi, Comoros*, Dem. Rep. of the Congo*, Djibouti, Egypt, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya (became a member of COMESA on 3 Jun 2005)*, Madagascar, Malawi*, Mauritius*, Namibia (withdrew from COMESA on 2 May 2004)*, Rwanda, Seychelles*, Sudan, Swaziland*, Tanzania (withdrew from COMESA on 2 Sep 2000)*, Uganda, Zambia and Zimbabwe; [States with * mark did not implement the programme]
<a href="#">Agreement on Air Transport of the Economic and Monetary Community of Central Africa (CEMAC)</a>	- Signed on 4 May 1999 - EIF on 25 Jun 1999	Cameroon, Central African Republic, Republic of Congo, Gabon, Guinea, Tchad
<a href="#">Common Program on Air Transport of the West African Economic and Monetary Union (WAEMU)</a>	- First package was adopted on 27 Jun 2002; - Second package was adopted on 18 Nov 2002;	Benin, Burkina Faso, Cote D'Ivoire, Guinea Bissau, Mali, Niger, Senegal and Togo
<a href="#">Baniul Accord Group (BAG) Agreement</a>	- Signed on 29 Jan 2004	Cape Verde, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Nigeria, Liberia and Sierra Leone
<a href="#">Multilateral Air Service Agreement (MASA) for the BAG</a>	- Signed and provisional application on 29 Jan 2004	Cape Verde, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Liberia, Nigeria and Sierra Leone
<a href="#">Declaration on the Establishment of a Single African Air Transport Market (SAATM)</a>	- Adopted on 31 Jan 2015 (Decl.1(XXIV))	All Member States of AU
<a href="#">Solemn Commitment by AU Member States to the Implementation of the YD towards the Establishment of a SAATM by 2017</a>	- Adopted on 31 Jan 2015 (Commitment(XXIV))	Benin, Cape Verde, Congo Republic, Cote D'Ivoire, Egypt, Ethiopia, Kenya, Nigeria, Rwanda, South Africa, Zimbabwe, Ghana and Sierra Leone
<b>America</b>		
<a href="#">Decision on Integration of Air Transport of the Andean Community (CAN, then Andean Pact until 10 Mar 1996)</a>	- Signed & EIF on 16 May 1991 (D297); - Amended on 17 Jun 1992 (D320) and 27 May 1994 (D360, D361); Consolidated on 4 May 2004 (D582)	Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru (suspended its obligations under the liberalization program from 27 Aug 1992 to 30 Jul 1997) and Venezuela (withdrew in Apr 2006)
<a href="#">Multilateral Air Services Agreement (MASA) of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM)</a>	- Signed on 6 Jul 1996; - EIF on 17 Nov 1998, initially for eight States	Antigua and Barbuda (EIF in 2001), Bahamas**, Barbados, Belize, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Haiti** (became a member of CARICOM in 2002), Jamaica**, Montserrat**, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent & The Grenadines (EIF in 2009), Suriname* and Trinidad and Tobago; [States with * mark did not ratify MASA; States with ** mark neither signed nor ratified MASA]
<a href="#">Agreement on Sub-regional Air Services (Fortaleza Agreement) of the Southern Common Market (MERCOSUR)</a>	- Signed on 17 Dec 1996; - EIF on 9 Apr 1999 initially for three States	Argentina (EIF on 16 Feb 2004), Bolivia, Brazil, Chile (EIF on 12 Dec 2000), Paraguay and Uruguay (EIF on 5 Jul 1999)
<a href="#">Air Transport Agreement among the Members States and Associate Members of the Association of Caribbean States (ACS)</a>	- Concluded tentatively on 11 July 2003; - Opened for signature on 14 Feb 2004; - EIF on 19 Sep 2008, initially for 8 States and 2 territories	Antigua and Barbuda*, Bahamas*, Barbados, Belize, Colombia*, Costa Rica**, Cuba, Dominica*, Dominican Republic**, El Salvador*, Grenada*, Guatemala, Guyana*, Haiti**, Honduras*, Jamaica, Nicaragua**, Panama, Saint Kitts and Nevis*, Saint Lucia*, Saint Vincent/Grenadines*, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago**, Mexico*, Venezuela, Guadeloupe/Guiana/Martinique (France)*, Aruba (Netherlands), Netherlands Antilles (Netherlands) and Turks and Caicos Islands (UK, became an associate member of ACS in 2006)*; [States with * mark did not sign ATA; States with ** mark did not ratify ATA]
<b>Asia and Pacific</b>		
<a href="#">CLMV Multilateral Agreement on Air Services</a>	- Signed on 4 Dec 2003;	Cambodia, Lao People's Dem. Rep., Myanmar and Viet Nam [Preceded by the Agreement on the Establishment of Sub-regional Air Transport Cooperation of CLMV States, Signed & EIF on 14 Jan 1998]
<a href="#">Memorandum of Understanding on Expansion of Air Linkages (IMT-Growth Triangle)</a>	- Signed & EIF on 10 Apr 1995; - Amended on 4 Sep 1996, 12 Jan 2001 and 11 Aug 2006	Indonesia, Malaysia and Thailand

<a href="#">Memorandum of Understanding on Expansion of Air Linkages (BIMP-East ASEAN Growth Area (EAGA) Pacific Islands Air Services Agreement (PIASA) of the Pacific Islands Forum</a>	- Signed & EIF on 12 Jan 2007	Brunei, Indonesia, Malaysia and Philippines
<a href="#">ASEAN Multilateral Agreement on Air Services</a>	- Concluded tentatively on 30 Oct 2002; Opened for signature on 16 Aug 2003; EIF on 13 Oct 2007 initially for 6 States - Concluded on 6 Nov 2008; - Signed on 20 May 2009; - EIF on 13 Oct 2009	Cook Islands, Fiji*, Kiribati, Micronesia*, Nauru, Niue, Palau*, Papua New Guinea, Marshall Islands*, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, and Vanuatu; [States with * mark did not sign PIASA] Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia*, Lao People's Dem. Rep., Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines*, Singapore, Thailand, Viet Nam; States with * mark did not accept protocols 5 and 6, which provide for third, fourth and fifth freedoms between capital cities
<a href="#">ASEAN Multilateral Agreement on the Full Liberalisation of Air Freight Services</a>	- Signed on 20 May 2009; - EIF on 13 Oct 2009	Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia*, Lao People's Dem. Rep., Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Viet Nam; [States with * mark did not ratify or accept protocols 1&2 providing 3,4,5 freedoms to either designated or unlimited airinternational airports, respectively]
<a href="#">ASEAN Multilateral Agreement on the Full Liberalisation of Passenger Air Services</a>	- Signed 12 Nov 2010; - EIF 13 Jun 2011	Brunei, Cambodia*, Indonesia*, Lao People's Dem. Rep.*, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Viet Nam. (States with * mark neither ratified not accepted Protocols 1 & 2 which provide 3rd/4th and fifth freedoms, respectively, between secondary cities)
<a href="#">Air Transport Agreement between ASEAN Member States and China</a>	- Signed on 12 Nov 2010;	Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao People's Dem. Rep. Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam
<b>Europe and North Atlantic</b>		
<a href="#">Single Aviation Market of the European Union (EU, then European Community until 31 Oct 1993)</a>	- First package was adopted on 14 Dec 1987 with EIF on 1 Jan 1988 (L374); Second package was adopted on 24 Jul 1990 with EIF on 1 Nov 1990 (L217); and the Third package was adopted on 23 Jul 1992 with EIF on 1 Jan 1993; - Full implementation on 1 Apr 1997 (L240); - Simplifying and readjusting on 1 Nov 2008 (L293)	Austria*, Belgium, Bulgaria****, Croatia (EIF 1 Jul 2013), Cyprus***, Czech Republic ***, Denmark, Estonia***, Finland*, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary***, Ireland, Italy, Latvia***, Lithuania***, Luxemburg, Malta***, Netherlands, Poland***, Portugal, Romania****, Slovak Republic***, Slovenia***, Spain, Sweden** and United Kingdom; [States with * mark started to apply third package under EEA agreement on 1 Jan 1994 and switched side from EFTA to EU on 1 Jan 1995; State with ** mark started to apply second package (subsequently third package) under Agreement on Civil Aviation on 6 Jul 1992 and EEA agreement on 1 Jan 1994, and switched side from EFTA to EU on 1 Jan 1995, States with *** applied EIF on 1 May 2004, States with **** applied EIF on 1 Jan 2007]
<a href="#">Agreement on the European Economic Area (EEA), Annex 13 Transport</a>	- Initialled on 22 Oct 1991; Signed on 2 May 1992; - Adjusted on 17 Mar 1993 (Protocol to remove Switzerland); - EIF on 1 Jan 1994; Amended several times since 1994	Austria*, Belgium, Bulgaria***, Croatia ^, Cyprus** , Czech Republic**, Denmark, Estonia**, Finland*, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary**, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia**, Liechtenstein, Lithuania**, Luxembourg, Malta**, Netherlands, Norway, Poland**, Portugal, Romania***, Slovak Republic**, Slovenia**, Spain, Sweden*, United Kingdom [States with * mark switched side within EEA from EFTA to EU on 1 Jan 1995; States with ** applied provisionally on 1 May 2004, EIF on 6 Dec 2005; States with **** applied provisionally on 1 Aug 2007, EIF 9 Nov 2011; States with ^ applied provisionally on 12 April 2014]
<a href="#">Agreement between the European Community and Swiss on Air Transport</a>	- Agreed on 10 Dec 1998; Signed on 21 Jun 1999; EIF on 1 Jun 2002 (L114); amended on 25 Nov 2005 (L347) and 18 Oct 2006	European Union (then European Community) and Switzerland
<a href="#">Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement with the EU</a>	- Initialled on 14 Dec 2005; Signed & Provisional application on 12 Dec 2006 with Morocco, on 15 December 2010 with Jordan, and on 10 June 2013 with Israel.	All member States of EU and Morocco, subsequently with Jordan and Israel
<a href="#">Multilateral Agreement on the Establishment of A European Common Aviation Area (ECAA)</a>	- Agreed on 20 Dec 2005; Signed on 9 Jun 2006; - Provisional application for some States in 2006-2007	All member States of EU, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria*, Croatia**, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland, Montenegro, Norway, Romania*, Serbia and the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo (UNMIK); [States with * mark became members of EU on 1 Jan 2007, States with ** mark became members of EU on 1 Jan 2013]
<a href="#">Agreement between the European Community and the West African Economic and Monetary Union on certain aspects of air services</a>	- Signed 30 Nov 2009; - EIF pending	All member States of EU and the West African Monetary Union (Benin, Burkina Faso, Côte d'Ivoire, Guinea-Bissau, Mali, Niger, Senegal, Togo)
<b>Other Regions</b>		
<a href="#">Multilateral Agreement on the Liberalization of International Air Transportation (MALIAT, "Kona" agreement)</a>	- Initialled on 2 Nov 2000; signed on 1 May 2001; - EIF on 21 Dec 2001; - Amended on 19 Apr 2004 (EIF on 27 Oct 2005)	Brunei*, Chile (signed on 5 Jan 2001; EIF on 9 Apr 2002; Protocol acceded on 7 Aug 2003, EIF on 10 Dec 2003)*, Cook Islands (acceded on 8 Mar 2006; EIF on 23 Jul 2006)*, Mongolia (acceded on 22 Aug 2007; EIF as cargo-only on 23 Feb 2008), New Zealand*, Peru (acceded on 21 Dec 2001, EIF on 17 May 2002, withdrew on 15 Jan 2005), Samoa (acceded on 4 Jul 2002; EIF on 9 Nov 2002), Singapore*, Tonga (acceded on 19 Sep 2003; EIF on 20 Jan 2004) and United States; [States with * mark are the parties to Protocol]
<a href="#">Agreement on the Liberalization of Air Transport between the Arab States (Arab League)</a>	- Opened for signature on 19 Dec 2004; - EIF on 18 Feb 2007 initially for five States	Algeria*, Bahrain, Egypt, Comoros*, Djibouti*, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait*, Lebanon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya*, Mauritania*, Morocco*, Oman, Palestine, Qatar*, Saudi Arabia*, Somalia, Sudan, Syria, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates* and Yemen; [States with * mark did not sign or ratify the agreement]

Other Documents		
<a href="#">Eight Options for More Competitive Air Services with Fair and Equitable Opportunity among APEC Member Economies (commitments)</a>	- Agreed tentatively on 31 Oct 1995; Endorsed on 24 Jun 1997 (by Transport Ministers); - Supported on 19 Sep 1999 (by APEC Leaders); - Revised on 20 April 2004	Australia, Brunei, Canada, Chile, China, Hong Kong SAR (China), Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Peru (acceded on 15 Nov 1998), Philippines, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation (acceded on 15 Nov 1998), Singapore, Chinese Taipei, Thailand, United States and Viet Nam (acceded on 15 Nov 1998)
<a href="#">Framework Agreement for the Integration of Priority Sectors (Sectoral Integration Protocol for Air Travel) of ASEAN (commitments)</a>	- Signed on 29 Nov 2004; - EIF on 31 Aug 2005	Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao People's Dem. Rep., Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Viet Nam
<a href="#">Declaration on The Sustainable Development of Air Transport in Africa: Key Milestones</a>	- Adopted on 27 Mar 2015	Participants of the Meeting on the Sustainable Development of Air Transport in Africa, held 25-27 March 2015 in Antananarivo, Madagascar
<a href="#">Statement on the Development of Air Transport in North America, Central America, the Caribbean and South America</a>	- Adopted on 9 Oct 2014	Participants of the ICAO Regional Air Transport Conference , held 7-9 October 2014 in Montego Bay, Jamaica
<a href="#">Declaration on The Development of Air Cargo in Africa: Key Milestones</a>	- Adopted on 7 Aug 2014	Participants of the First Meeting on Air Cargo Developments in Africa, held in Lomé, Togo, 5-7 August 2014
<a href="#">Status of the implementation on the establishment of the SAATM</a>	- Jul 2016	

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