

News from the International Air Rail Organisation: June 2015

Please find below the June 2015 Newsletter of the International Air Rail Organisation, updating readers on current IARO developments and activities.

- The IARO is an international organisation, dedicated to spreading world-class best practice and good, workable, ideas among people involved in rail links to airports and air/rail intermodality.
- We are a portal to expertise and information in air-rail intermodality.
- Our worldwide membership includes organisations which are planning, developing, building and operating rail air links; and also people (like airlines) who have a business interest in partnerships for their success.

IARO's Valuable Products – Membership Benefits:

- Technical Workshops – free-for-Members
- Industry Reports focusing on Air-Rail issues
- Weekly IARO Express Industry Newsletter
- Access to Airport Railways of the World data on the www.iaro.com website
- Sharing Best Practice and New Ideas with industry colleagues

1. 8th IARO Workshop: “Extending your rail links at a growing airport” – Successful Meeting in Milan

On Monday 15 June, delegates met at Milan Malpensa Airport for the latest of IARO's workshops, to discuss the issue of extending rail links at growing airports. Delegates heard about the current works at Malpensa to extend the railway from Terminal 1 to Terminal 2 being built by SEA and FN, with additional funding from the European Union and the Region of Lombardy. There was also discussion about the wider opportunities created by the extension, and about other rail link projects at growing airports such as London Heathrow, Frankfurt and in North America.



The presentations made at the Milan Workshop are available for Members to download from the IARO website. The following presentations are available:

- Paul Le Blond, Past President, International Air Rail Organisation
- Massimo Corradi, SEA Milan Malpensa Airport
- Laura Stiriti, Railway design and planning FERROVIENORD Nord Ing
- Roberto Ceresoli, Infrastructure Development Director, FERROVIENORD
- Simon Earles, Planning and Surface Access Director, Heathrow Airport
- Mark Walbrun, Practice Leader for Rail & Transit, Hatch Mott MacDonald
- Dr Peter Pfragner, Commissioner for Intermodality, Frankfurt Airport

Presentations of all previous Workshops are also available to Members. Non-members who wish to receive copies of the presentations should contact Patrick Hicks (patrick.hicks@iaro.com)

2. 9th IARO Workshop: Washington DC, Monday 19 October 2015

The next IARO Workshop will take place in Washington DC on Monday 19 October 2015. Further information will be published in the July 2015 IARO Members Newsletter, but to pre-register, please email: patrick.hicks@iaro.com.

3. Three new IARO Members

The IARO is pleased to welcome three new Members into this Organisation this month:

- Emirates – (www.emirates.com)
- ETH Zurich, Institute for Transport Planning and Systems - ([http://www.ivt.ethz.ch/index EN](http://www.ivt.ethz.ch/index_EN))
- Transportation Associates, Australia - (www.transportationassociates.com.au)

For an updated list of IARO Members, please click on <http://iaro.com/members-directory>.

4. Runways UK (6 & 7 July 2015)

Runways UK takes place on 6th and 7th July at The Grange Tower Bridge Hotel in London. The event is a neutral and independent platform for debate on the future of the UK's aviation infrastructure, focusing on core topics of capacity and resilience. It has been running in parallel with the work of the Airports Commission since its inception in 2012 and is timing this event to coincide with the release of its Final Report.

Day 1 will be all about Sir Howard Davies' runway recommendations and it will provide an opportunity for in-depth analysis and reaction from key figures from Westminster; the aviation industry; business, environmental and local communities; and the travelling public. Day 2 will look at the 'what next?' in terms of its process through parliament together with strategic planning implications. Additionally it will look at optimisation of existing resources in the interim period, and the generation of additional capacity through technological innovation - topics that will be of particular interest to the industry's advisors and supply chain. Further information on: www.runwaysuk.com.

5. ...and Tomorrow's Rail (8 July 2015)

Taking place on 8 July at the Grange Tower Bridge Hotel, London, Tomorrow's Rail is a new forum shaped to move debate on the future of rail into decisions on a clear, long-term strategy. Join operators, suppliers, infrastructure owners, consultants, passenger groups and government and play your part in helping to shape that debate.

Can Crossrail 2 seamlessly follow Crossrail and become a vital new artery for London? Is the political, environmental and financial case for High Speed 2 made beyond doubt? And what certainty is there for commuters struggling with London's creaking rail infrastructure that there is capacity to cope? Perhaps the biggest question of all is: who pays? And what is the fair burden for taxpayers? Or for passengers already paying some of the highest fares in Europe? Visit the Tomorrow's Rail website for more information – Click [HERE](#).

6. Latest IARO Report Published: “Fares on Airport Rail Links”

This latest IARO Industry Report – “Fares on Airport Rail Links” – is available for Members to download. To download the Report, click on: <http://iaro.com/iaro-reports>. Prepared by IARO Board Member Paul Le Blond, the Report looks at fares on airport rail links. In most cases, the link considered is between the airport and the city centre. The Report does not cover long distance rail services or links to areas close to the airport. Data on fares was obtained primarily from airport or railway websites in March 2015. In some cases, data is available on a wide range of fares; while, for others, only the standard adult single (one-way) fare is known. Data from 115 rail links at 88 airports in 32 countries is noted. The fare data is indicated in the local currency and converted to Euros for comparison, using the Google Currency Converter on 31 March 2015.

The report begins with a review of the standard adult single (one-way) and return (two-way) fares. It groups these by type (airport express, inter-city, metro and light rail and others), and then by continent. The following chapter then considers various discounts offered for off peak, children, persons with restricted mobility, groups and other categories. The final chapter is a discussion which seeks to draw some conclusions about fares.

The author confirms that he would be pleased to receive any corrections or information about omissions.

7. Updated Report: “What happens to mode share when trains start running to airports?”

In 2010, IARO published a report, ‘What happens to mode share when trains start running to airports?’ It put together all available evidence about passenger reactions to a change in travel opportunities. Towards the end of last year, the report was updated. Where possible, new data from the original 16 airports was added: information on Liverpool John Lennon Airport was collated and written up.

However, the most important addition responded to a question from Members planning the airport rail link in Toronto: “What happens to car park revenues at airports when trains start to run?” Toronto Pearson Airport is charging UP Express C\$2/passenger, on the assumption that they will lose car parking revenue. Is this reasonable? Again, available evidence was put together to show that in fact a train service does not erode parking revenues.

The contents of this report will be of value to anyone running or planning an airport railway, or an airport. It is highly unlikely that anyone - apart from IARO, with its world-wide membership and near two decades of experience - could put together these statistics. If readers have any data to add, this would be appreciated for a future edition.

To download the updated Report, click on: <http://iaro.com/iaro-reports>

8. IARO Members

For an updated list of IARO Members, please click on <http://iaro.com/members-directory>.

9. Follow on the IARO on Twitter

The IARO now has an active Twitter account. Members can follow us – just click on: <https://twitter.com/AirportAccess>

10. Information Resource: Airport Railways of the World

Information on the IARO website continues to be developed, with considerable work being applied to the “Airport Railways of the World” section. Members are invited to take time to look at the website and make any suggestions about how this can be developed. Members can access information on over 900 links, both current and planned.

11. IARO Express – recent news items

Recent news items published in the weekly IARO Express include:

- Stansted Express enhances Liverpool Street information
- EBRD funds Amman airport link
- Emirates participation in tgV'air expands
- Tirana Rinas Airport to get a rail connection?
- Exciting days for TEX Rail

- UP Express - up and running!
- GTR uses Twitter for air-rail survey
- Express metro for new Chengdu airport
- Bucharest Metro M6 to Coanda airport
- New airport for Rostov-on-Don to be on high speed line to Moscow and Adler
- VIA Rail extends its reach
- BWI station to be improved

Further information

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