

INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLERS' ASSOCIATIONS

Agenda Item: A.6.2.13 WORKING PAPER

WP No: 36 IFATCA'25

Remove Liaison Officer to the European Union (EU) - Editorial

Presented by Constitution and Administration Committee (CAC)

IFATCA Constitution and Administrative Manual (IAM) editorial update to remove references to abolished position of Liaison Officer to the European Union (EU)

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1. At Conference 2024 Directors endorsed a proposal (A.15.6 Discontinuation of LOEU Position (LWP61)) from the Executive Board to remove the role of Liaison Officer to the European Union (EU) as it was no longer required.

2. DISCUSSION

2.1. This paper contains editorial changes to the IAM to enact that agreed position.

3. CONCLUSION

3.1. Removal of the Liaison Officer to the European Union (EU) was endorsed by Directors at Annual Conference 2024 and the references to that position should be removed from the IAM in accordance with Section 4 "Recommendations" of this paper.

4. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 4.1. That Part 2 Administrative Policy (Bye-Laws), Chapter 6. Ex Officio Members of the Executive Board and Appointed Officials, Section 4 Liaison Officer para 1.4 be amended to remove reference to the Liaison Officer to the European Union (EU) as marked in red and struck through below:
 - 1.4. The Technical and Professional Secretary, the Liaison Officer to International Organisations in Geneva, the Liaison Officer to the European Union and the Communications Coordinator shall be appointed in even years, and the Conference Coordinator shall be

appointed in odd years. (Arusha 08.A23; Gran Canaria 14.A.12; Virtual Conference 22.A.12, Jamaica Singapore 24.A15)

4.2. Paragraphs 4.2 and 4.2.1 (pp113 and 114) be removed in toto as marked by strikethrough in red below:

4.2. Liaison Officer to the European Union (EU)

4.2.1.Terms of Reference

Under the Direction of the Executive Board the Liaison Officer to the European Union shall:

- a) Establish and maintain contact with the Offices of the European Union which are based in Brussels, and with any other relevant Offices of the EU spread throughout the Union, with a view to promoting and maintaining the aims and objectives of IFATCA.
- b) Represent IFATCA whenever specifically asked to attend any International meetings in Brussels hosted or sponsored by the EU, which are directly relevant to Air Traffic Control.
- c) Make any necessary arrangements for visiting IFATCA representatives to ensure that they are properly briefed on items of protocol, and properly introduced to relevant persons within the EU.
- d) Provide written reports to the Executive Board on all meetings attended on behalf of the Federation, within the EU.
- e) Provide a report on all contacts with the EU for each Executive Board meeting. (Frankfurt 89.A.41).
- 4.3. Following paragraphs 4.3, 4.3.1, 4.4, 4.4.1, 4.5 and 4.5.1 be renumbered 4.2, 4.2.1, 4.3, 4.3.1, 4.4, and 4.4.1 respectively
- 4.4. Table of contents and index be updated to remove specific reference.

5. **REFERENCES**

- 5.1. 2024 LWP61 A.15.6 Discontinuation of LOEU Position (attached)
- 5.2. IFATCA Constitution and Administrative Manual Version 69, 2024 per included references above

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Attachment



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WORKING PAPER

LWP No: 61 IFATCA'24

Discontinuation of LOEU Position.

Presented by the Executive Board

- After careful consideration and following the advice of EVPEUR, the Executive Board (EB), wishes to discontinue the position of Liaison Officer to the European Union (LOEU) with effect at the end of the 63rd IFATCA Annual Conference Plenary Closing Ceremony.
- Paul Neering, a member of the Netherlands Guild of Air Traffic Controllers, is the current Liaison Officer to the European Union (EU). He was first appointed in this role in 2005 and was reconfirmed during the 62nd IFATCA Annual Conference for a two-year term until 2025.
- 3. Paul Neering will stop his duties with IFATCA with effect at the end of the 63rd IFATCA Annual Conference Plenary Closing Ceremony.
- 4. The Executive Board wishes to extend its highest gratitude to Paul Neering for his longstanding dedication to the Federation, and for his high-profile work and professionalism.

5. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 5.1. The directors note the information and extend their gratitude for the long-standing dedication of Paul Neering.
- 5.2. The directors task the EB to express their gratitude to Paul Neering in the most appropriate way.

6. REFERENCES

6.1. IAM.

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