

Report 100 Years ATC Task Force

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SUMMARY

This info paper resumes the efforts and the deliverables made by the 100 Year ATC task force in the period 2018-2023 and ends the project.

1. INTRODUCTION

2. The 100 Year Air Traffic Control project was launched in 2017 and activities/research began in 2018. In that year the EB created a specific task force to evaluate and celebrate the 100 years of ATC in 2022. The COVID pandemic and associated restrictions changed the initial plans, but we nevertheless managed to celebrate the event and produce the main deliverables.

3. DISCUSSION

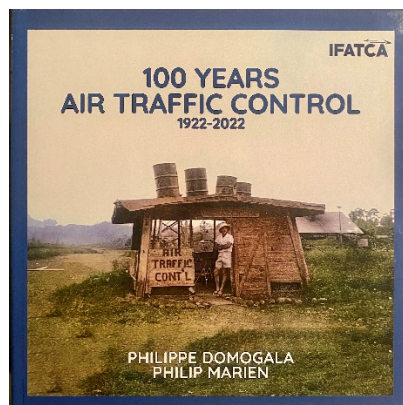
- 3.1. As it was not possible to hold a worldwide event during the 2022 Annual Conference (which was held online), concurrent 100 Year ATC celebrations were held at the four Regional Meetings on the International Day of the Air Traffic Controller, 20 October 2022.
- 3.2. Researching, writing and publishing the history of ATC in the form of a book. The result was a 400-page hardcover book that was written by Philip Marien and Philippe Domogala, which took four years to produce. Both are grateful to all the Member Associations and individuals that contributed in one way or another!
- 3.3. At the time of writing, over 1000 copies of the book have been produced through the print-on-demand service, including the complementary copies distributed to the MA to the attendees of the four Regional Meetings in Autumn 2023. Unfortunately, due to the last-minute venue change of the AFM meeting, it was not possible to ship in time to Nigeria. For AFM MAs attending Singapore, copies will be available there. The remainder of the AFM MAs will receive their complementary copies at the Regional Meeting in Egypt.
- 3.4. The books can be ordered at cost via a print-on-demand web site. Details are still available at <https://atc100years.org>
- 3.5. Our Romanian MA had 650 copies printed locally for all their members to receive as a Christmas present in Dec 2023. In addition, their managers,

ministry of transportation employees and National Library also received copies. A fantastic PR stunt! This option also remains available to other MAs. Contact Philip Marien (philip.marien @ifatca.org) for more information.

- 3.6. Following a request from the Swinburne university in Australia to get books for their students pursuing an aviation degree, our Australian MA CivilAir is considering ordering the books for them. As you can see, there is a lot of possibilities to use the book to promote our profession and Mas are encouraged to make use of them. Advertising the book to your own memberships is of course also encouraged.
- 3.7. A 100-year ATC postal stamp was issued by Swiss post thanks to the efforts of Marc Baumgartner. A first day stamp and envelope was sponsored by Helvetica, our Swiss MA and distributed at the 100 Years celebration in Brussels in October 2022. Copies are still available to buy via Swiss post.
- 3.8. The corona pandemic forced us to cancel, scale back and reschedule several projects. Nevertheless, the 100 Years of Air Traffic Control has not gone unnoticed and we submit that the Task Force has reached its main objectives.

4. CONCLUSION

- 4.1. This report marks the end of the 100-year ATC activities and the Executive Board has been asked to formally disband the task force.
- 4.2. MAs are encouraged to use the 100 Years book to promote our profession. Procedure to order the book are still available using the following web site <https://atc100years.org>



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