



# World ATM Congress 2014

## World ATM Congress Breaks Attendee Record in Second Year International ATM Event Welcomes Dignitaries, Exhibitors, and New Countries

**10 March, 2014 / Madrid** – In its second year, World ATM Congress has exceeded its inaugural show by more than 1,000 attendees – totaling **6,265** attendee registrations by show's end. The conference and exhibition is the largest global platform discussing the future of air traffic management (ATM); it welcomed aviation and ATM professionals from 4 – 6 March at IFEMA, Feria de Madrid.

Peter F. Dumont, President & CEO of the Air Traffic Control Association (ATCA), said: "This year's World ATM Congress was a tremendous success. We have demonstrated that the strong ATCA and CANSO partnership is responsive to the needs of the global ATM community. This was further evidenced by the wide variety of attendees from around the world and from all aspects of the industry. Not only was the event larger - it was better. With 190 exhibitors and visitors from 128 countries, the exhibition floor was rich for business. There was clearly a demand for access to the ATM community in an environment that encourages innovation, and we have provided it."

Jeff Poole, Director General CANSO, said: "Once again, World ATM Congress has successfully provided an important and truly global forum for the air traffic management industry and its partners not just in terms of the numbers but also in quality. In the Conference Programme, partners came together to discuss the key strategic issues and agree the best way forward. We were honored to host Ana María Pastor Julián, Spain's Minister of Transportation and Public Works; The Honorable Michael Huerta, Administrator, Federal Aviation Administration, and David McMillan of the Flight Safety Foundation, among other respected key decision-makers in the industry. The success of World ATM Congress reaffirms the strong need and support for a single global ATM forum by the industry for the industry."

While at IFEMA Feria de Madrid, World ATM Congress officials signed an agreement to extend the event's contract for three additional years, citing satisfied attendees, the hospitality of the city of Madrid, and the accommodating nature of IFEMA. The next World ATM Congress will take place **10 – 12 March 2015**.

All sectors of the air traffic community were in attendance – from senior executives, controllers, aviation manufacturers and suppliers, airline executives, military and government, young aviation professionals, and aviation trade associations – conducting real business and commercial and strategic discussions. Students from Madrid universities supported the conference and made their own presentations - sharing a new generation's perspectives on the industry.

The event boasts 128 countries represented this week – both in attendance as delegates, hall visitors, and exhibiting companies – up from 104 countries in attendance last year. For the first time, World ATM Congress welcomes exhibitors – both large and small.

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### **About World ATM Congress**

World ATM Congress ([www.worldatmcongress.org](http://www.worldatmcongress.org)) combines a large-scale exhibition, world-class conference, and premier networking opportunities with the chance to learn the latest air traffic trends and developments. World ATM Congress is organised **for the industry, by the industry**. Produced by [CANSO](http://www.canso.org) in association with [ATCA](http://www.atca.org), it is backed by leading air navigation service providers and industry suppliers.

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