



INTERNATIONAL FLIGHT INFORMATION SERVICE ASSOCIATION

Newsletter Issue 2

Welcome to the second IFISA Newsletter!

We will have to start by apologising. We did intend to send out our newsletter at least 2 times a year but it has been busy times so unfortunately we have not reached our goal. But finally, here it is, IFISA newsletter nr 2.

It's been a busy initial year for IFISA, and in a short time, we have made a big impact on the world stage for the FISO service!

We have a larger membership than lot of our full Air Traffic organisations managed in similar time, but if you know of any organisations that not members, please pass on the word that we are here – the more the bigger the impact on the world stage.

Work has progressed on the world stage, with progress with both ICAO and EASA, more of this further in the newsletter.

Finally for the intro, you will hopefully have been aware that

Membership

The following is a list of our current members. We will also post the list on the member part of the website. On that list we will also include the contact information you have given to us. Both so that you can check so that you have updated information with us and so that you can get in contact with each other if you like.

Please check the list and make sure you have an up to date contact so that you will get the information and letters we send out.

| Full members | |
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| <i>Angola</i> | Associação dos Técnicos Angolanos de Informação Comunicação e Manutenção Aeronáutica |
| <i>Canada</i> | Air Traffic Specialists Association of Canada |
| <i>Chile</i> | Técnico en servicios de vuelo DGAC Chile |
| <i>Denmark</i> | Union of Danish Flight Controller Assistants |
| <i>Germany</i> | Gewerkschaft der Flugsicherung e.V. |
| <i>Greece</i> | PanHellenic Union of Licensed Aeronautical Telecommunication Officers |
| <i>Greenland</i> | Radiotelegrafistforeningen af 1917 |
| <i>Indonesia</i> | Indonesia Aeronautical Communication Association (IACA) |
| <i>Norway</i> | Delta Luftfart NTL Luftarten |
| <i>Peru</i> | AFISO Peru |
| <i>Poland</i> | Polish Flight Information Service Trade Union; AFIS.org |
| <i>Switzerland</i> | AFIS Engadin Airport |

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| <i>United Kingdom</i> | Association of UK Flight Information Service Officers; Guild of Air Traffic Controllers. |
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| Associate Members | |
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| <i>Greece</i> | Hellenic CAA |

| Corporate Members | |
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| <i>Canada</i> | NAV CANADA |
| <i>Denmark</i> | Integra Aviation Academy Hans Christian Andersen HCA airport |
| <i>Germany</i> | Deutsche Flugsicherung |
| <i>Poland</i> | Polish Air Navigation Services Agency |
| <i>Sweden</i> | ACR – Aviation Capacity resources AB |
| <i>United Kingdom</i> | Global ATS |

| Honorary Members | |
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| <i>Sweden</i> | Entry Point North |



The seminar split into two groups on the first afternoon to work through the phraseology workshop for both enroute and AFIS. The documents have been worked on through the months since the seminar including submissions from member organisations, and the finished documents will be distributed to ICAO, EASA and members at the end of February.



Fabio Grasso, ATM/ANS Regulations Officer from EASA, gave his now annual update on FISO at the seminar, and the NPA 2016-09 that was released at the same time as the seminar. The results of the NPA are due to be published in the last quarter of 2017 and Fabio has agreed to present the results at the seminar in Warsaw.

The seminar dinner was enjoyed by the delegates and saw the first “President’s Award”. The recipient was Konrad Radzlejewski from Poland. Konrad gave a lot of his free time to IFISA in producing the logo’s and artwork for free... Who will be the 2017 recipient? The award will be presented at the seminar dinner in Warsaw in September. The award is open to all associations/unions/individuals who make a big difference to IFISA.

News



The 7th International FISO Seminar held in Manchester in September 2016 was without blowing our own trumpet, a fantastic success.

When we took on the running of the seminar from Entry Point North, we hoped that we would get around 40 participants to come to the UK rather than the Malmo home the seminar had before IFISA took over.

The idea of making the seminar ‘mobile’ and moving it around was a gamble, which quickly turned into more of a success with 70 delegates attending, making 2016 the largest event to date!



don't want the public to see. Please help us with suggestions on what you would like to see on this closed part of our website.

International Regulation

28th February 2017 was the closing date for comments with the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) for comments on the Notice of Proposed Amendment (NPA) 2016-09 Requirements for Air Traffic Services. The NPA is designed to start bringing FISO, and especially AFIS, into regulation in Europe. The comments from Europe on this NPA were extensive and EASA are currently working on finalising the CRD (the regulation suggestion) for the EU commission. The plan from EASA is to hand it in to the commission by the end of 2017.

ICAO is also working on AFIS. ICAO will not issue theirs as regulation but rather as an ICAO AFIS manual. The basis for the manual has been proposed as the current Eurocontrol AFIS manual from 2010, but brought up to date.

Updates on both of these processes will be part of the Seminar programme for the 2017 IFISA FISO seminar. Both EASA and ICAO will attend to give us the latest information.

Phraseology

The phraseology groups that started their work at the 2016 IFISA FISO seminar have been working on finalising the two phraseology documents. They are now both done. The AFIS collated results have been submitted to ICAO as part of this work. IFISA will make the Enroute phraseology document available to any regulator that wants to work with that. However, there is currently no work in either ICAO or EASA in this area.

2017 FISO Seminar

Details on how to register to attend the seminar can be found on the IFISA website. (though spaces are filling VERY quickly!). Go to <http://ifisa.info/fiso-seminar/2017-fiso-seminar/> to sign up and to see the latest agenda



See you in Warsaw in September!



For those delegates that attended the 2016 event, we would like to see images of you with your shirts/mugs at your workstations – let's see how many we can get for the next newsletter.

Website

We try to use our website in the best way we can. We have made this our main way to communicate and inform you. Please visit it regularly to stay informed of IFISA activity. On the website, we have recently created a member area where we can share stuff we

International FISO Day!

Instigated as an IFISA initiative, 1st September 2016 was the first International FISO day. This date was chosen as it was the birthdate for IFISA and, no other major aviation event is being celebrated that day! In 2017 we want to see images from units from across the globe celebrating with us.



We will welcome photos to be submitted to our social media pages and for this newsletter in the future!

Your IFISA Executive committee

For those unaware of who are looking after IFISA, we will introduce them to you over the coming issues...

President

Paul Brown - United Kingdom

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Vice-president

John Baldwin - Canada

Secretary

Sofi Wadsjö - Sweden

Treasurer

Jonas Nordmo Myhre - Norway

Board Members

Magdalena Rekść-Kopyłowicz – Poland

Slawomir Balazy – Poland

Contact details to all of us can be found on our website.

Please encourage as many members to visit both the IFISA website <http://www.ifisa.info> and to sign up for the IFISA newsletter (<http://ifisa.info/news/>), plus liking and taking part on the FaceBook page.

WE are as strong as our members – and any leads to other national associations/ unions/ trade unions which represent FISO's are gratefully received. We know more exist, but Google is not overly helpful in finding them!

The Back Page!

And you thought you had trawled through the last ramblings from me – hard luck, a little more to go yet!

This is the section of the newsletter we are going to focus on you the member organisations! Unfortunately, as this is the first issue, you are stuck with me for this bit as well – sorry!

...and finally!

During the IFISA FISO seminar 2016 the winner of the IFISA slogan competition was announced and the winning slogan is:

“STAY INFORMED”

We will make a logo for it and make it available to you on the website so that you can use it on t-shirts or in any other way you see fit.