

## **Aviation Industry Commitment** to Action on Climate Change

## As leaders of the aviation industry, we recognise our environmental responsibilities and agree on the need to:

- build on the strong track record of technological progress and innovation that has made our industry the safest and most efficient transport mode; and
- accelerate action to mitigate our environmental impact, especially in respect to climate change while preserving our driving role in the sustainable development of our global society.

## Therefore, we, the undersigned aviation industry companies and organisations declare that we are committed to a pathway to carbonneutral growth and aspire to a carbon-free future.

To this end, in line with the four-pillar strategy unanimously endorsed at the 2007 ICAO Assembly, we will:

- 1. push forward the development and implementation of new technologies, including cleaner fuels;
- 2. further optimise the fuel efficiency of our fleet and the way we fly aircraft and manage ground operations;
- 3. improve air routes, air traffic management and airport infrastructure; and
- 4. implement positive economic instruments to achieve greenhouse gas reductions wherever they are cost-effective.

## We urge all governments to participate in these efforts by:

- 1. supporting and co-financing appropriate research and development in the pursuit of greener technological breakthroughs;
- 2. taking urgent measures to improve airspace design including civil/military allocation, air traffic management infrastructure and procedures for approving needed airport development; and
- 3. developing and implementing a global, equitable and stable emissions management framework for aviation through ICAO, in line with the United Nations roadmap agreed in Bali in December 2007.

Our efforts and commitment to work in partnership with governments, other industries and representatives of civil society will provide meaningful benefits on tackling climate change and other environmental challenges.

We strongly encourage others to join us in this endeavour.





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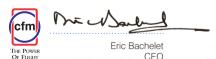
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