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ASSOCIATION MEMBERS AND DELEGATES OF THE REGION ASIA/PACIFIC

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To: Association Members and their Members of FIATA of the Region Asia/Pacific

cc: Presidency
Extended Board

From: Daniel Bloch, Manager Region Asia/Pacific (RAP),
on behalf of Chris Kanter, Chairman Region Asia/Pacific (RAP)

**Subject: Final Agenda
FIATA – 13th Region Asia Pacific (RAP) Field Meeting
Monday, 10 June 2019 at the The Sukosol Bangkok Hotel, Bangkok, Thailand
in conjunction with UNESCAP Meeting – Tuesday, 11 June 2019**

In addition to Doc. RAP/120 Call of Meeting and Agenda FIATA – 13th Region Asia Pacific (RAP) Field Meeting sent to you 2019-04-17, you are receiving now the meetings Final Agenda.

For Registration and Hotel Reservation please use and fill in the form on page 3 of this Document [Doc. RAP/119 - Pre-Advice of Meeting- and Registration - Hotel Booking Form](#) **Please return by Wednesday 29 May 2019 via Email: secretary@tiffathai.org cc: bloch@fiata.com**

This year's 13th RAP meeting will be held again in conjunction with the UN ESCAP Regional Conference/Forum for Logistics Service Providers.

FIATA's meeting will be held at The Sukosol Bangkok Hotel, while the one of UNESCAP at their Bangkok Headquarters will take place on 11 June 2019.

FIATA members are grateful for the support, contribution and assistance we are receiving from the Thai International Freight Forwarders Association (TIFFA) for their help in arranging this meeting to make it successful.

Final – Agenda

13th RAP Field Meeting - 10 June 2019

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08:30 h to 09:00 h Registration by TIFFA and B2B Meeting

09:00 h Start of the 13th RAP Field Meeting

Agenda No.1

- **Opening of the meeting and welcome by Mr. Chris Kanter**

RAP Chairman

Agenda No. 2**Thailand Special Session****“Development of Laem Chabang Phase 3”**

Representative from Port Authority of Thailand (TBA)

“Business Opportunity in the Eastern Economic Corridor (EEC)”

Representative from EEC (TBA)

Agenda No. 3**Matters relating to Airfreight in the region**➤ **Raised by the delegates****Hongkong Association of Freight Forwarding & Logistics (HAFFA)****Brief Update on****A. Air Cargo Security – ICAO New Policy Direction wef July 2021****B. IATA Annual Financial Review (AFR) and Local Financial Criteria (LFC)**

by Mr. Brian Wu, Chairman, Hongkong Association of Freight Forwarding & Logistics

see attachment - Key Update from HAFFA (Hong Kong)

Agenda No. 4**Matters relating to the Multimodal transport in the region**➤ **Multimodal Matters raised by the delegates****INCOTERMS 2020 Update**

by Mr. Tej Contractor, FFFAI India, FIATA Representative and Member to the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) Incoterms 2020® Drafting Group (tbc)

Maersk launches online customs clearance service for ocean customers

Delegates are requested to familiarize themselves with this topic on the WWW.

[Maersk launches online customs clearance service for ocean customers](https://www.ti-insight.com/briefs/maersks-new-online-customs-clearance-platform-threatens-forwarders/)<https://www.ti-insight.com/briefs/maersks-new-online-customs-clearance-platform-threatens-forwarders/>

On behalf of the CAI Chair Mr. Steve Parker and the Acting Director Mr. Steve Morris, the CAI/RAP Manager will be collecting the delegates opinion, thoughts and concerns about such initiatives.

Agenda No. 5**Matters relating to Customs Affairs in the region****Presentation:****The Review of the WCO Revised Kyoto Convention and****the current progress in the A/P Region – from Customs’ perspective**

by Dr. Tong Hua

**WCO ROCB A/P CCF/China Operation Manager and Program Manager (PI)
World Customs Organization, Regional Office for Capacity Building**

- Matters raised by the delegates

Japan Customs Advance Filing Rules (AFR) Cargo Information update provided by Mr. Hirotaka Hara, Secretary General, JIFFA – Japan International Freight Forwarders Association -

For more details of 24-hour rules, please visit:

<http://www.customs.go.jp/english/summary/advance5/index.htm>

http://www.customs.go.jp/english/summary/advance5/leaflet_e.pdf

Indonesia Customs Regulation PMK 185/pmk.04/2017 in Indonesia update provided by Mr. Yukki Nugrahawan Hanavi, Chairman, ALFI/ ILFA, Indonesian Logistics and Forwarders Association

Presentation:

Wildlife trafficking updates – FIATA – TRAFFIC update on awareness

by Mrs. Monica Zavagli

TRAFFIC - Senior Project Officer

Agenda No. 6

Matters relating to Safety and Security

- Raised by the delegates

Agenda No. 7

Matters relating to Vocational Training in the region

- Training matters raised by the delegates

Agenda No. 8

Matters relating to Legal Matters

- Raised by the delegates

13:00 h to 14:00 h Lunch

14:00 h Start Afternoon Sessions

Agenda No. 9

- a. **Matters relating to Information Technologies in the Region Asia Pacific**
- b. **Matters relating to Sustainability in the Region Asia Pacific**

c. Matters relating to International Affairs in the Region Asia Pacific

Presentation:

Opportunities and improvement of logistics solutions with the Mexico-Asia-Pacific trade agreement

by Mrs. Gabriela Altuzar

President of the Mexican Freight Forwarders Association – amacarga

- Matters to a, b, and c, as raised by the delegates

Agenda No. 10

FIATA - New location

RAP Chairman

Agenda No. 11

Merge of FLA and ABVT

RAP Chairman

16:00 h - 16:30 h Tea-Break

Agenda No. 12

Any other business / Matters arising, by the permission of the Chair

- Open discussion

Agenda No. 13

Summing up & Close of 13th RAP Field Meeting

RAP Chairman

Agenda No. 14

Date and Place of next RAP Field meeting and RAP Meeting

17:30 h

Attachment:

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Key Update from HAFFA (Hong Kong)

13th Field Meeting of the Region Asia/Pacific Bangkok, Thailand, 10 June 2019

A. Update on Air Cargo Security – ICAO New Policy Direction wef July 2021

The new ICAO policy direction required phasing-out consignors not approved by the appropriate authority for aviation security by 30 June 2021 the latest. Under the new policy direction, consignors will either have to be approved by an appropriate authority, or have their air cargoes subject to 100% security screening. However, at present, a consignor recognised by its partnering Regulated Agents (RA) or aircraft operator may still have its consignments treated as known cargoes. Thus, it will necessitate big adjustments to the existing RAR in Hong Kong.

To meet the new policy direction, the Hong Kong Civil Aviation Department (CAD) launched the Regulated Air Cargo Screening Facilities (RACSF) Scheme on 30 October 2018 to enable and regulate off-airport screening of air cargo.

Facing this big challenge, HAFFA proactively proceeded with the following:

- Organized forums to bring to members and participants first-hand information about the latest Government policy and to explore possible solutions to the new ICAO policy compliance
- Collected members' questions and got answers from the authority and stakeholders to produce FAQs
- Sought preferential discounted packages on different brands/models of x-ray machine as well as x-ray screener packages, and launched X-ray machines group buy/group rent program with up to over 30% discount off to lessen the burden on members
- Conducted industry-wide survey to understand industry's difficulties. The major findings and recommendations were drawn up and submitted to the Chief Executive of HKSAR Mrs. Carrie Lam.
- Be the first association to launch a new training course recognized by CAD in early December 2018 to meet members' training needs under the RACSF scheme
- Created dedicated webpage containing all the up-to-date information about RACSF exclusively for members

To help the air cargo industry gradually gear up for the full implementation of the ICAO new policy direction, the Government has taken into consideration many grave concerns HAFFA voiced out to them and put in place a transitional arrangement for RAs to progressively increase the required screening percentage of known cargoes consigned by existing known / account consignors, which have not been validated by CAD, from 1% to 100% before the deadline imposed by ICAO (30 Jun 2021). Details are as follows:

Transition Phase	Government's Final Plan	
	Date	% of cargoes (by weight) required to be screened by RAs
Current QCP req't	-	1%
Phase 1	Nov 2019 – Feb 2020	25%
Phase 2	Mar 2020 – Aug 2020	40%
Phase 3	Sep 2020 – Feb 2021	70%
Phase 4	From Mar 2021 onwards	100%



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B. IATA Annual Financial Review (AFR) and Local Financial Criteria (LFC)

With numerous efforts made by HAFFA and with FIATA's support to safeguard the interests of members, the implementation of AFR in Hong Kong originally scheduled for April 2018 has been suspended for another 6 months. HAFFA has made good use of these 6 months to strive for the best of our members.

A recap of what were done in these 6 months as set out below:

- 3 HAFFA/ICAP Dialogue meetings were held on 06 April, 20 June and 11 September 2018 respectively.
- Many informal touch-base meetings and chats with ICAP airlines and IATA Hong Kong office were done.
- A briefing session for IATA agents in Hong Kong was conducted by IATA on 17 May 2018. Mr. Brian Wu the HAFFA Chairman represented HAFFA in the session to share Members' concerns with an aim to clarify many issues direct with IATA.
- On 25 July - 22 August 2018, HAFFA conducted a new round of survey with Members to get their final views on the AFR and ICAP's proposed LFC, this to formulate the HAFFA position.

The new round of survey was concluded in August 2018 and the result revealed that majority of respondents (over 70%) support AFR and ICAP's best proposed LFC. As such, the HAFFA Executive Committee resolved to base on majority members' vote to support the agreed LFC for the implementation of IATA AFR in Hong Kong.

Based on members' suggestions collected in the survey, HAFFA submitted two counter proposals on LFC to ICAP for negotiation. And below is the overall negotiation outcome:

- 1-year transitional period with no financial impact to Members will be implemented.
- Reduction of IBG (Industry Bank Guarantee to IATA) number of day for the healthiest agents.
- A set of criteria for 30- day IBG was introduced in order to bring up those freight forwarders who failed the AFR but relatively healthier.
- Minimum amount of IBG is lowered.

The proposal with the agreed LFC submitted by ICAP was endorsed by IATA CAC (Cargo Agency Conference) in March 2019. That said, the AFR and the agreed LFC will become effective from 01 July 2019. But IATA agents are not required to provide BG to IATA during the first 12 months regardless the financial review outcome, which counts as a transitional period. After the transitional period, i.e. 01 July 2020 IATA agents shall provide BG to IATA according to the agreed LFC. Trust that the matter can eventually be put to finality after 7-year long discussions since 2011.

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