Lithium Battery
Webinar

Wednesday 14 October 2020

2:00pm to 3:30pm (CET)

SPEAKER BIO

**Dave Brennan**  
Assistant Director Cargo safety & Standards  
IATA

David joined IATA in May 2002 as the Manager, Dangerous Goods Technical Services. In April 2004 David was appointed Assistant Director Cargo Safety & Standards.

David is responsible for coordinating the activities of the Cargo team who are jointly responsible for the IATA standards publications and products that address dangerous goods transported by air. David is the Secretary of the IATA Dangerous Goods Board and is also the Panel member nominated by IATA to the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) Dangerous Goods Panel.

Before joining IATA, David worked for Australia Post as a consultant on Aviation Security / Dangerous Goods compliance. Prior to that, David worked for Ansett Australia for a period of 26 years holding a number of supervisory and management positions within the Operations Division, the last being Corporate Advisor Dangerous Goods Compliance.

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**Enzo Canari**  
Cabin Safety Expert  
European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA)

Enzo Canari has been working as Cabin Safety and Fire Protection specialist in the EASA Certification Directorate for more than 10 years, and has been involved in major certification, rulemaking and research projects conducted by the EASA in this timeframe. He represents EASA at the meetings of the International Aircraft Materials Fire Test Forum and of the International Aircraft Fire Protection Systems Forum, and is a member of the SAE SEAT committee and of the SAE G-27 Lithium Battery Packaging Performance committee. Enzo also represents EASA in the meetings of the Fire and Cabin Safety Research Group. He has been the technical focal point for the Sabatair research project funded by the EU and managed by EASA. The project had the scope to address the safety concerns associated to transportation of lithium batteries via air.

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**Candy Chan**  
Manager, Dangerous Goods Standards  
IATA

Candy joined IATA in 2019 as the Manager, Dangerous Goods Standards. Her major responsibilities include maintaining the content of the IATA Dangerous Goods Regulations and guidance materials, and supporting the industry through handling the technical enquiries and working with the IATA Dangerous Goods Board and ICAO Dangerous Goods Panel.

Prior to joining IATA, Candy worked for different companies from managing e-booking and e-freight systems to developing special cargo solutions, with the last being at Cathay Pacific Airways Limited, where she held various management positions to develop the standards and procedures of dangerous goods and special cargo, ensure the regulatory compliance of the Group, and explore approaches to enhance aircraft safety. Candy was also a member of the IATA Dangerous Goods Board, an elected vice-chair of the Board and advisor to the CAAC and HKCAD in ICAO Dangerous Goods Panel meetings when representing Cathay Pacific Airways.
Trevor Howard  
**Manager, Quality & Standards**  
**Emirates**

Trevor has been with Emirates for 4 years. In his current role as Manager, Cargo Standards & operational Safety, he is responsible for all Emirates SkyCargo policies, procedures, safety and risk across the Emirates SkyCargo network. Trevor also manages a dedicated team of 17, responsible for Emirates SkyCargo export control and trade compliance program.

Trevor has been elected to the IATA Dangerous Goods Board for the past 12 years, and is currently the Vice Chairman of the Dangerous Goods Board. He is a technical advisor to the panel member nominated by the General Civil Aviation Administration of the United Arab Emirates at the ICAO Dangerous Goods Panel.

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Geoff Leach  
**Director**  
**DG Office UK**

Geoff Leach joined the United Kingdom Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) in 1982, and joined the Dangerous Goods Office in 1990. In May 2002, he was appointed Head of the Dangerous Goods Office, also becoming the United Kingdom member of the ICAO Dangerous Goods Panel (DGP), having attended all working group and Panel meetings since 1993 in the capacity of advisor. In November 2007, he was elected Chairman of the DGP, and also Chairman of the Dangerous Goods European Liaison Group, an informal body of European authorities and operators; he has also chaired the 4 IATA lithium battery workshops held to date. He was also an adviser to the United Kingdom expert at the United Nations Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous goods by air. In 2013, he left the CAA to form the Dangerous Goods Office Limited, offering training and consultancy to industry and regulators worldwide.

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Nigel Patience  
**Corporate Safety Manager, Health & Safety and Dangerous Goods**  
**British Airways**

Nigel joined British Airways in 1988 and has worked in various roles and departments during his career, including frontline roles in ground operations and customer facing areas, and more recently in the Corporate Safety department. For the past year Nigel has been the responsible person for dangerous goods within British Airways in addition to his responsibilities in the Health & Safety arena.

Nigel attends the IATA Dangerous Goods board as well as chairing the IAG Group Dangerous Goods Steering Group, which looks to drive consistency and look for synergies across IAG. Nigel also has a background in risk management and the implementation of risk control models, and is now bringing this approach into the dangerous goods arena for British Airways.
Tharindu Senanayaka  
Business Unit Manager - Cargo  
AmSafe Bridport

Tharindu has been in the industry for the last 13 years and played a key role in implementing Fire Containment solutions for leading cargo carriers in the world. With the vision to offer air cargo industry a product that can save lives, assets and give peace of mind when carrying Lithium or E-commerce shipments, I have worked with many key stakeholders and gained wealth of experience in this front.

Kerstin Strauss  
VP, Global Air Logistics Operations  
Kuehne + Nagel Management AG

Kerstin is part of the global air logistics operations team in charge of day-to-day operational matters as well as compliance related topics around dangerous goods, trade control and security. Another focus area is establishing and maintaining internal operational guidelines to ensure all countries apply the required measures and processes outlined by law, conventions and internal board decisions. She works in close cooperation with the regions and the air logistics systems team. Trained as an Intl. Freight Forwarder, she has held various positions within Kuehne + Nagel over the past 26 years in airfreight operations, sales and management starting in Germany then USA, England and now in the global HQ in Schindellegi, Switzerland.

Dawn M. Wilkes  
Program Manager, Security  
Universal Postal Union (UPU)

Dawn Wilkes is currently assigned seconded from the United State of America to the Universal Postal Union as the Program Manager for Security. She has held this position since November 2018. During this time, she has conducted two large scale capacity building workshops in the Caribbean and Asia Pacific region while working towards accomplishing the key performance indicators of this position.

Previously, Ms. Wilkes was assigned as the Program Manager of the Global Security Group at the San Francisco Gateway of the U.S. Postal Inspection Service (USPIS). In this role, she worked closely with numerous federal agencies to coordinate international mail security and requests that pertained to the Asia Pacific region. She also collaborated with representatives from the Asia Pacific Postal Union on issues relevant to the protection of international mail. Ms. Wilkes began her service with the USPIS in 2006, during her tenure she worked a variety of assignments ranging from external and internal mail theft, mail fraud, prohibited mail, assaults, threats, and physical security. She has received multiple awards and recognitions for past casework from within and outside the agency. During her career she has led multiple training sessions relative to physical security standards within the Asia Pacific region as well as organizing large scale airport reviews in both the United States, Asia and Central America. Before joining the Inspection Service, she lived and worked in Chongqing, China from 1995 to 2003. While living in China she was able to immerse herself in the local culture and learn Mandarin. She is an active member of the International Association of Financial Crimes, High Tech Crime Consortium, and the American Association of University Women.

Ms. Wilkes is a native of Florida, USA and graduated with honors from the University of Florida with her Bachelor of Arts degree in history. She has received formal instruction form U.S. Postal Inspectors who have completed extensive work in the areas of mail fraud, mail theft and identity theft.