IATA WORLD CARGO SYMPOSIUM

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CARGO SAFETY FORUM AGENDA



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Cargo Safety Forum

Thursday, 11 March

09h00 – 09h10 **Opening Remarks**
Introduction to the Cargo Safety Forum and the importance of strengthening safety across the global cargo supply chain.

09h10 – 09h50 **Keynote Address: One Shipment, Many Responsibilities: Building Cargo Safety from Origin to Destination**
Safety begins long before cargo reaches the aircraft. As shipments move across an increasingly complex supply chain, safety responsibilities are shared among multiple stakeholders, each contributing to the prevention of incidents and the protection of global trade.

This keynote will examine the challenges of managing dangerous goods risks across the entire cargo journey, highlighting the importance of accountability, collaboration, effective oversight, competency and proactive safety management.

09h50 – 10h05 **Interactive session: Where Does the Safety Chain Break? Identifying the Gaps from Origin to Destination**
Building directly on the keynote, this interactive discussion will invite the audience to explore where safety vulnerabilities emerge across the cargo supply chain.

From undeclared dangerous goods and upstream awareness to operational handovers, oversight, training and information sharing, the interactive session will identify the challenges that require collective attention and solutions. Audience questions and key themes will be carried forward into the panel discussion.

10h05 – 10h50 **Panel Discussion: Closing the Gaps: Turning Shared Responsibility into Supply Chain Safety**
As global trade lanes continue to evolve, strengthening cargo safety requires more than individual compliance—it demands coordinated action from all parties in the entire supply chain.

This panel will explore how States, regulators, airlines, shippers, freight forwarders, ground handlers and other industry stakeholders can strengthen accountability, improve risk visibility, enhance competency and foster greater collaboration.

10h50 – 11h00 **Closing Remarks**
Key takeaways, stakeholder commitments and a call for collective action to strengthen safety across the global cargo supply chain.

11h00 – 11h30 **NETWORKING BREAK – WCS EXHIBITION HALL**

11h30 – 13h00 **WCS 2027 Closing Plenary**

13h00 – 14h00 **NETWORKING LUNCH – WCS EXHIBITION HALL**