Cargo Electronic Messaging

The Cargo Operations and Technology Strategic Partnerships Area of Involvement is one of the 6 Boards established by Resolution under the Cargo Services Conference and all its subgroups.

Each Board is an airline-only group overseeing the strategy and direction of standards development and implementation within a specific area of cargo services. The Board may also create subgroups to work on specific areas of standards.

The Cargo Electronic Messaging area manages the development of standards and guidance related to cargo XML messages. The area looks at the creation of XML messages, maintenance of those standards and new approaches to electronic messaging, and reports to the Cargo Operations and Technology Board.

Designed for

- Supply chain operators
- Cargo IT application providers
- Freight forwarder and Shipper IT application providers

To be eligible to become an IATA Strategic Partner in Cargo Operations and Technology, the industry supplier needs to meet the following criteria:

- Be an active IATA Strategic Partner with cargo expertise
- The supplier's product/service is relevant to Cargo Operations and Technology and is in line with IATA standards
- Have already implemented or are in process of implementing IATA standards related to Cargo Operations and Technology successfully

Areas of Activity

- Cargo Messaging Standards: Cargo-IMP and Cargo XML
Meetings & Working Groups

CARGO MESSAGING WORKING GROUP (CMWG)

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The objectives of the CMWG are to provide recommendations to the Cargo Operations and Technology Board (COTB) on XML requirements for transportation messages and on the maintenance of the standards as well as to oversee the technical development of these XML messages, which will be based as much as possible on existing messages (i.e. CIMP IFTMIN) and international standards (i.e. UN/CEFACT Core Components and XML Naming and Design Rules).

Exclusive Benefits

- Attend Cargo XML Task force, 2 face to face meetings a year and monthly conference calls
- Monitor the enhancement and creation of the EDI and XML message standards to be used by the whole of the air cargo supply chain
- Benefit from first selection of sponsorship/exhibition opportunities at IATA World Cargo Symposium and CNS Conference and any e-Cargo event organized by IATA
- Appear on the list of Strategic Partners on IATA website
- Use the exclusive IATA Strategic Partnerships Logo on corporate materials
- Receive discounts on IATA training courses
- Receive a preferential rate on selected IATA products, services, exhibitions and conferences
- May advertise in IATA publications at a discounted rate
- Receive industry notifications on broad spectrum of areas including EDI, Customs, Security, etc. For example, information on new/changes to existing customs and security requirements, messaging standards, etc from the Cargo Service Conference.
- Advertise on Cargo website at a discounted rate

Additional Strategic Partnerships’ Benefits

Branding
- Recognition as a valuable supporter of IATA and the air transport industry
- Inclusion in the IATA Strategic Partnerships online directory
- Exclusive usage of the IATA Strategic Partnerships logo
- Promotion through the electronic quarterly newsletter, the Partner Brief, viewed by thousands of aviation industry contacts
- Monthly posting of Strategic Partners’ press releases on the IATA website

IATA Clearing House Discount
Strategic Partners receive a substantial discount upon joining the IATA Clearing House:

The IATA Clearing House (ICH) provides the means to settle all the billed items sent to and from airlines around the world. Used by more than 400 airlines either directly or via special links, the ICH settles around USD 50 billion of interline billings every year. Its efficiency is so great that airline cash and settlement requirements are reduced by around 75%, and risks for all participants are minimized.
Publications
Partners may purchase publications at a preferential rate.

Courses
Strategic Partners may attend, at a reduced fee, IATA training courses.

Strategic Partners may receive 55% discount on the first 2 seats per year to any IATA classroom course (subject to availability).