Common Use

Engaging in IATA Strategic Partnerships program is your opportunity to have a stake in powering the future of the technology for the air transport industry. This program allows you to contribute to the development of innovative solutions in addressing arising aviation industry challenges.

With the speed of technological evolution and introduction of biometric recognition in the transport industry, the Common Use Group (CUG) continuously develops and updates standards allowing airlines, airports and handling agents to process passengers using shared technology.

Common Use is the key foundation of any passenger experience improvement and it provides a seamless and secure way of handling functions like check-in, bag-drop, identity management, security access and boarding process.

Technology areas such as Common Use Self Service kiosks, Common Use Passenger Processing Systems, Common Use Web Services and application program interfaces are covered by the Common Use Group and its technical solution sub-groups.

Areas of Activity & Common Use Structure

- Travel Standards Board
- Advisory Strategic Partners Forum
- Common Use
  - Common Use Passenger Processing Systems (CUPPS)
  - Common Use Self-Services (CUSS)
  - Common Use Web Services (CUWS)
  - IATA Technical Peripheral Specifications (ITPS TSG)
  - Bar Coded Boarding Pass (BCBP)
Designed for

- Web Services Providers
- CUSS solutions providers
- CUPPS solution providers
- E-Gates Providers
- Self-service providers
- Airlines / Airports / Governments

Exclusive Access to Meetings & Work Groups

COMMON USE GROUP (CUG)

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The Common Use Group has been created to develop industry standards in five specific areas pertaining to common use.

The objectives of the group are to:

- Develop process and technical standards
- Develop implementation guides that reflect best practices
- Drive technical and process innovation in the area of common use systems
- Recommend all such standards to the industry via the IATA Passenger Services Conference

COMMON USE SELF-SERVICES Technical Solution Group (CUSS-TSG)
The CUSS-TSG is responsible for RP1706c and also for the maintenance of its Technical Specifications publication. This Technical Solution Group reports into the CUG. CUSS 1.5.1 is the latest supported version and CUSS 2.0 is on the way.

COMMON USE PASSENGER PROCESSING SYSTEMS Technical Solution Group (CUPPS-TSG)
The CUPPS-TSG is responsible for RP1797 and also for the maintenance of its Technical Specifications publication. CUPPS describes the range of services, specifications, and standards enacted to enable multiple airlines, service providers to share physical check-in or gate podium positions (either simultaneously or consecutively). CUPPS 1.04 is the latest version supported within the IATA standard.

COMMON USE WEB SERVICES Technical Solution Group (CUWS-TSG)
The purpose of this Technical Solution Group is to standardize data exchange through the use of web services technology. With the evolution of biometric, the CUWS team is currently working on delivering a new set of Passenger Access Management Services throughout touchpoints, supporting standardize data exchange between each touch point and the host system.

IATA TECHNICAL PERIPHERAL SPECIFICATIONS Technical Solution Group (ITPS-TSG)
The ITPS-TSG is responsible for the maintenance of the specification that describes all exchanges of Departure Control Systems (DCS) to device communication and all device responses supporting Boarding Pass Printer (ATB), Baggage Tag Printers (BTP), Boarding Gate Readers and Self-Boarding Gates (BGR and E-Gates), SBD (Self-Baggage Drop) and SD (Scale Device). IATA Strategic Partners may purchase the ITPS publication at a preferential rate. Latest information from the Common Use Group activities can be found on iata.org in the Common Use News section.
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

**Industry Events & Exhibitions**
Strategic Partners may, at discounted rates, exhibit at/or attend IATA’s Conferences & Exhibitions. Our events bring together key industry representatives for conferences, seminars and workshops, to discuss industry issues.
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**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).