Pay-Account

The Pay-Account Board is one of the five management boards established by Resolution 009 under the Passenger Standards Conference, which combines the activity of the Passenger Services Conference and Passenger Tariffs Conferences.

Each Management Board is an airline-only group overseeing the strategy and direction of standards development and implementation within a specific business domain. The Board has the autonomy to create and disband groups to work on specific areas of standards.

Each Board will also have an Advisory Forum, where senior delegates from Strategic Partners can meet with Board member airlines to discuss issues around standards development and implementation.

The Pay-Account Board manages the development of standards concerning any interaction between airlines and any other parties for the purpose of managing financial processes supporting the delivery of passenger services to the extent these are developed under the Passenger Standards Conference.

This includes but is not limited to payment, settlement data exchange standards, and other related financial data exchange standards.

Strategic Partners must join the Shop-Order, Plan Standards and Pay-Account areas of involvement in order to attend the Passenger Standards Conference.

The Pay-Account Board oversees standards touching many areas of distribution, and will establish Groups to develop proposals for standards touching business process and data exchange in these areas:

- BSP Data
- Order Payment and Order Accounting Standards (including NDC and One Order payment related standards)
- Sales Accounting
- Settlement with Orders
- IATA TTBS Standards
Designed for

- Airlines
- Travel management companies
- Online travel agencies
- Corporate buyers
- Global distribution systems
- Technology providers

Meetings & Working Groups

Organizations belonging to the Pay Account Strategic Area of Involvement may send senior level delegates to the Advisory Forum of the Pay Account Board.

Organizations belonging to the Pay Account Strategic Partnership Program may also send technical experts to any groups created by the Board where specific standards are developed.

Groups under each Board may be created or disbanded by the Board at any time, but an up to date list of active groups is available online. Access to meetings and working groups are subject to individual group terms of references.

BSP DATA INTERCHANGE SPECIFICATIONS GROUP

The BSP Data Interchange Group is responsible for the exchange of passenger ticketing and related data between airlines, ticket system providers and the IATA DPC within Billing and Settlement Plans (BSP). In addition, the group identifies items for future DISH releases and decision for the future of DISH with respect to the new emerging standards such as NDC and ONE Order.

Members of the group should have experience in airline BSP DISH teams.

ORDER PAYMENT GROUP

The Order Payment Standards Group is responsible for order payments, settlement and accounting rules and regulations related with IATA resolutions, NDC payment, ONE Order and settlement with order standards, emerging forms of payments standards, development of financial payment standards related with customer payment, monitoring complex taxes within the industry and engagement with GDSs on payment related issues.

Members of the group should have experience in airline passenger payment and distribution teams.

SETTLEMENT WITH ORDERS GROUP

The Settlement with Orders Group is responsible for financial settlement between two parties (payer and payee) and within the scope of IATA resolutions. It creates Order based settlement standards that will be agnostic in nature, with regards to the parties settling and the payment method.

Under the Settlement with Orders Group there is the Settlement with Orders Adoption Working Group where IATA Strategic Partners can join. The primary objective of the SwO Adoption Working Group is to provide recommendations to improve the SwO process and standard. Members of the group should have experience in airline passenger payment and distribution teams.

ATPCO-IATA Joint Tax Governance Group

The Settlement with Orders Group is responsible for end to end ticket/airport taxes including reservations, sales, distribution, interlining and identifying the problematic taxes and alternate solutions.

Members of the group should have experience with Revenue Accounting, Reservations, Interline and TTBS/RATD processes.

Order Accounting Group

The Order Accounting Group is responsible for reviewing and endorsing proposals to create or amend enhanced and simplified distribution data standards governing Order Accounting processes. Proposals from this group will align with existing
standards and Development of accounting data standards relating to Orders and Settlement with Orders.

**Members of the group should have experience with Passenger Revenue Accounting, Accounting and Finance Processes.**

Note: in addition to the groups listed above, Strategic Partners will also have access to the Architecture and Technology and Industry Payment Fraud Prevention areas of involvement, including all groups within it. For additional information, please refer to the Architecture and Technology and Industry Payment Fraud Prevention product sheets.

**Additional Strategic Partnership 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 Strategic Partner Newsletter, 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 US$ 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).

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