31 March 2021

Agenda
Wednesday 31 March 2021

1100 – 11:10 UTC  **IATA Antitrust, Welcome and Introduction**,  
Set the scene; outline the purpose and objectives of the workshop  
Kamil Al-Awadhi, Regional Vice President, Africa & the Middle East, IATA  
Kashif Khalid, APCS Regional Director, Africa & the Middle East, IATA

11:10 - 11:20 UTC  **Air Cargo Economic outlook**  
Recent developments in the air cargo market and the near-term outlook will be discussed under this session.  
Ezgi Gulbas, Senior Economist, IATA

11:20 – 11:40 UTC  **Collaboration among supply chain stakeholders for efficient handling of vaccine and pharmaceutical products**  
In this session an overview of the Hope Consortium and Dubai vaccine logistics alliance, its goal, plans and achievements so far, challenges and how they are mitigated, any support needed from authorities/ IATA or other stakeholders will be discussed.  
Mr Martin Drew, SVP sales and cargo Etihad Aviation Group  
Mr. Dennis Lister, VP Cargo Commercial Development, Emirates sky cargo

11:40 – 12:00 UTC  **Suppliers and Government requirements, expectation and role for an efficient vaccine distribution and transportation**.  
The session will give an outline from government and suppliers’ perspective for participants to understand the main expectations, requirements to comply and the role of governments in the distribution of vaccines.  
Dr Omar Najim, Executive Director, Department of health Abu Dhabi  
Speaker from the Africa Center for Disease Control and Prevention (AU-Africa CDC)

12:00 – 12:20 UTC  **Vaccine Distribution and Transportation**  
Under this session, the air cargo industry readiness, supply chain challenges and global standards for transportation and handling of vaccine and life science products by air will be discussed. Also, lessons learned from the initial global vaccine logistics will be highlighted.  
Andrea Gruber, Head Special Cargo, IATA

12:20 – 12:30 UTC  **Q & A session**

12:30 – 12:40 UTC  **Regulatory Overview**  
An overview from a representative of a selected civil aviation authority from the AME region to provide the regulatory overview, legislations, supply chain management, emerging cargo safety issues as a result of new processes adopted due to the pandemic and preparation to mitigate safety issues that can arise during the vaccine distribution task.  
Mr Bheki Ngiba, Manager Dangerous Goods, South Africa Civil Aviation Authority

12:40 – 13:10 UTC  **IATA DGR Introduction, Regulatory Update, training, and products**  
This session will provide an overview of the adoption of competency-based training and assessment that became effective as of 1 January 2021. The session will also look at the impact of the new Chapter 15 – Cargo Compartment Safety that has been adopted into ICAO Annex 6 – Operation of Aircraft.  
David Brennan, Asst. Director Cargo Safety & Standards, IATA

13:10 – 13:20 UTC  **Q & A session**

13:20 – 13:30 UTC  **Wrap-up and Closing Remarks**