



EUROPEAN BUSINESS COUNCIL IN JAPAN
THE EUROPEAN (EU) CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN JAPAN

AERONAUTICS

ISSUES AND RECOMMENDATIONS



PROMOTING PARTNERSHIPS WITH THE EU



Promoting Partnerships with the EU

YEARLY STATUS REPORT: Progress

- ❑ The aeronautics market is becoming more and more global, and Europe has strong technological advantages.
- ❑ For example, European companies have experience in the area of high-end technologies that are environmentally friendly.
- ❑ Procurement decisions should be made taking into consideration both competitive and technological advantages.
- ❑ European manufacturers of commercial aircraft, engines, components, and navigational equipment offer state-of-the-art technology at internationally competitive prices.



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- The EBC consistently requests Japan to modernise its air traffic management system.
- Some of the European companies are recognised worldwide as setting state-of-the-art standards, yet they face great difficulty in even being considered in the process for new equipment procurement in Japan such as for the air traffic management system.
- The EBC deplores this situation, which may be keeping Japan from benefiting from the latest advances in safety standards.



Promoting Partnerships with the EU

RECOMMENDATIONS

- ❑ The EBC encourages Japanese firms to diversify their sources of supply and consider the advantages of European products in the aeronautics field for the benefit of their customers, the general public, and shareholders.
- ❑ The EBC urges the Japanese authorities to facilitate greater use of equipment from European manufacturers who can help them address the need for improvements in air transport safety.



**SUPPORTING BASA
NEGOTIATION BETWEEN
EU & JAPAN**



Supporting BASA Negotiation Between EU & Japan

YEARLY STATUS REPORT: Progress

- ❑ In March 2016, the European Commission was authorised by the 28 member states to open negotiations with a view to concluding a Bilateral Air Safety Agreement (BASA) between the European Aviation Safety Agency and its Japanese counterpart, the Japan Civil Aviation Bureau.
- ❑ Such an agreement will enhance air safety worldwide and enable cooperation in the aviation safety domain, including certification, testing and maintenance of aeronautical components, air operations, flight crew licensing, air traffic management and airports.



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- ❑ It will also reduce the transaction cost of exporting aircrafts, while ensuring high levels of safety in partner countries and helping to harmonise product standards worldwide.
- ❑ Despite exchanges between Japan and Europe, no substantial progress has been made on this topic.



Supporting BASA Negotiation Between EU & Japan

RECOMMENDATION

- ❑ The EBC encourages the EU and Japan to conclude negotiations with the goal of finalising a Bilateral Air Safety Agreement as soon as possible in order to develop business opportunities between the EU and Japan by removing administrative hurdles. To support such discussions, the EBC committee has drafted recommendations pertaining to this agreement which reflect the position of the EBC Aeronautics Committee member companies. These recommendations have been communicated to the various competent authorities.



PROMOTING THE USE OF LARGE AIRCRAFT AT HANEDA AIRPORT



Promoting the Use of Large Aircraft at Haneda Airport

YEARLY STATUS REPORT: Limited Progress

- ❑ The Tokyo 2020 Olympics is less than three years away, and with the number of foreign visitors to Japan already exceeding 24 million in 2016, the new target set by the Japanese Government is up to 40 million visitors in 2020.
- ❑ Accordingly, it is crucial for Haneda Airport, now the preferred airport in Tokyo, to be able to accommodate the increase in traffic.
- ❑ The EBC welcomes the decision to allow Lufthansa to operate the Boeing 747-8i at Haneda, but the airlines should also be allowed to operate the Airbus A380.
- ❑ At least five A380 operators have expressed interest in operating the A380 at Haneda by 2020.

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- ❑ In addition, with ANA planning to use the A380 aircraft between Tokyo and Honolulu from 2019, Haneda must be available for such operations.
- ❑ The decision to allow day-time A380 operations at Haneda will increase the number of passengers using Haneda without having to provide additional landing and take-off slots.
- ❑ An added advantage is that the A380 has the lowest noise footprint among the new generation aircraft.

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RECOMMENDATION

- ❑ The EBC urges the Japanese authorities to engage potential A380 operators in a discussion on the use of Haneda by the A380 aircraft as soon as possible.