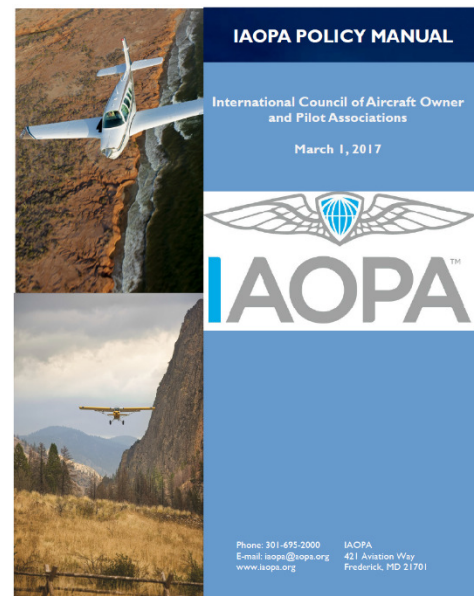


## CALL FOR RESOLUTIONS AND SURVEY INFORMATION

With less than 100 days until the IAOPA World Assembly, it's time for everyone to start thinking about the resolutions that will be proposed for discussion. The assembly agenda being finalized offers time for issues that are of interest to the delegates and will serve as a guide for our deliberations. However, there may be other items that you consider important and should begin to develop a draft resolution for consideration at the assembly. Now is the time to begin discussing these issues with your board and membership. Shortly, all affiliates will receive an email detailing resolution development that will guide you through the process.

One such resolution that was adopted at the 7th World Assembly requires each affiliated national organization to provide the Secretariat with statistics regarding the national organization and general aviation activities within that state. As you know, statistical information specifically focused on general aviation at a global level is almost non-existent. The information collected and provided by IAOPA affiliates is compiled by IAOPA Headquarters staff and used when developing policy and representing our interests at forums around the world. Please take the time to contact your National Aviation Authorities to obtain the most accurate and up-to-date information as this will greatly improve the accuracy of the survey.



Please note the deadline of February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 for submission of your results, if you have not received a copy of the survey request via email, please contact [IAOPA Headquarters](#).

***Don't forget to [register](#), for the World Assembly, see you in Queenstown!***

## GA CONFERENCE IN ATHENS GREECE

AOPA HELLAS, in collaboration with IAOPA Europe, has organized an International General Aviation Conference to be held in Athens on January 22, 2018. The purpose of this conference is to inform the Hellenic Aviation Community, and at the same time the European Aviation Community, about the significant changes regarding aviation safety issues that are being introduced by EASA. These changes affecting all GA aspects are inserted in the European legislation by EASA through the “General Aviation Road Map”.

Main speaker of the meeting will be the EASA Director, Mr. Dominique Roland, Head of General Aviation & Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems. Mr. Craig Spence, Secretary General of IAOPA, will also be speaking, representing IAOPA and the 79 National AOPAs with over 400,000 members, and also Dr. Michael Erb, Senior Vice President IAOPA - Europe.



The International General Aviation Conference will take place in Athens Greece, on Monday, January 22, 2018 at the DIVANI CARAVEL Hotel. The language of the Conference will be English only. The workshop will be broadcast live on the internet (livestreaming) in Greece and in Europe. That means every European pilot may attend the conference from his own home using his own computer. Recorded copies of the speeches will be made available to all European AOPAs for further exploitation. You may attend live the Conference on the AOPA Greece [Facebook](#).

For those that are unable to watch the event livestreaming, AOPA HELLAS will post the program, the timetable, the speakers and the themes of their speeches on its website after the conclusion of the conference.

## IAOPA EUROPE PARTICIPATES IN 8.33 WORKSHOP

On 27th October, the European Commission had invited associations and authorities for a workshop on the topic of 8,33 Voice Channel Spacing in Brussels. IAOPA was represented through Martin Robinson, Andrei Zincenco, and myself.

The purpose of the workshop was to review the current state of 8.33 kHz implementation, share best practice for conversions and exemptions, and agree a realistic way forward to complete the implementation of 8.33 kHz as quickly as possible in order to resolve potential frequency shortage and mitigate potential safety risks.



During panel sessions, Martin and I could present our views on the matter; mainly that we find the frequencies inefficiently managed, that the demand for frequencies has been over-estimated, that GA is being disadvantaged with high cost for equipage whereas the other

stakeholders have operational benefits, and that we are disappointed about the decision by INEA not to fund equiptage of GA in 20 European states.

In presentations from the member-states, it became apparent that both the GA fleet and the ground-infrastructure at ANSPs and Aerodromes are not able to meet the deadlines in most European States, whereas other states like the Netherlands will strictly enforce the deadline December 31, 2017 for all VFR aircraft.

Helios, whose Chairman Mike Shorthose moderated the workshop, came to the conclusion that something needs to happen, and this opinion was shared by Maurizio Casteletti by DG Move. What can be expected is that an easy procedure will be announced for member-states allowing them to prolong the deadlines for implementation now at the very last minute, which was not foreseen in the respective regulation EU 1079/2012.

In an informal discussion, DG Move representative Jean-Marc Flon told AZ that in April '18 might be another call for 8.33 kHz reimbursement, this time with the legal issues solved that denied IAOPA 2017 application.

It's likely there will be additional time for aircraft operators to equip in some countries, mainly outside of the European Core Area, but unfortunately not in all countries. We will keep you informed about any progress on the matter.

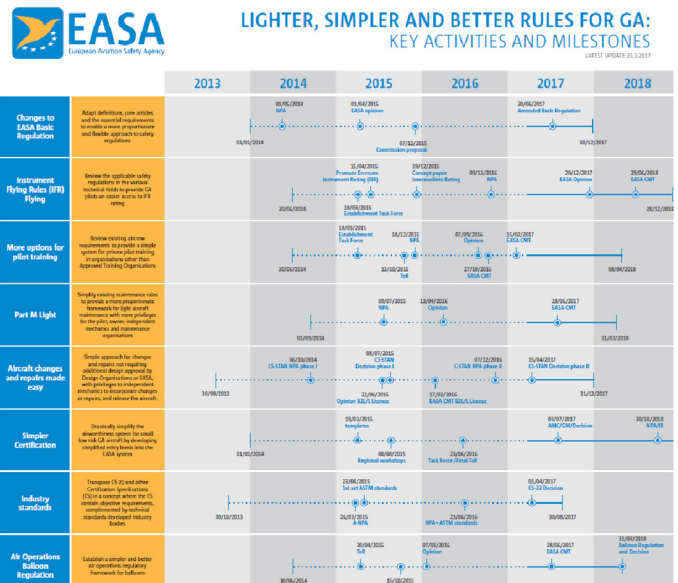
*Dr. Michael Erb, IAOPA SVP European Region (AOPA Germany)*

## EASA General Aviation Committee on 2 and 3 November 2017 in Cologne

The group which was known for many years as the SSCC for GA has now been renamed as the General Aviation Committee – GA COM. Jacob Pedersen and myself attended. The Committee will continue to have joint meetings with the representatives from the National Authorities which is unique in the EASA advisory committees and allows a better flow of information between all involved parties.

On the agenda of the meeting were the following issues:

- GPS Approaches into Non-Instrument Runways
- Part M Light
- DTO
- ADS-B
- GA Data Collection
- Rescue and Firefighting
- Improved Communication
- Election of the Chairman and the Co-Chair



For full details of the meeting and additional background information on each of the topics discussed, visit the IAOPA website.

*Dr. Michael Erb, IAOPA SVP European Region (AOPA Germany)*



### ***Tune into the latest ‘There I was...’ podcast episode from the AOPA Air Safety Institute***

Renowned aerobatic pilot and airshow performer Sean D. Tucker faced an unpredictable dilemma in 2006, when he lost elevator control in his airplane and was forced to bail out to survive. Sean’s instant grasp of the emergency allowed him to keep his resolve to do no harm to others. Listen to the harrowing tale and learn how he evaluated his predicament and took action.

*There I was...* honors the legendary and respected hangar-flying tradition of sharing experience and knowledge. The conversational tone allows guests and the ASI hosts to explore the merits of being resourceful. It also offers a valuable discussion on steps pilots can take for the best possible outcome of a flight. Previous guests on the show include Patty Wagstaff and Lee Lauderback.

Podcast link: <https://www.aopa.org/news-and-media/podcasts/there-i-was>

### **ARE YOUR AFFILIATE DUES UP-TO-DATE?**

IAOPA is representing general aviation around the world, and making a difference every day. Without representation in the international aviation community, our industry will surely lose valuable positions we have fought so hard to secure in the past. We are at mid-year and there are still some affiliates that have not remitted their 2017 dues. Without the funds to support the work of our many representatives, we will be unable to continue our advocacy throughout world aviation. Your contribution to IAOPA is so important, please submit your payment as soon as possible. If you don't have a copy of your invoice or you have any questions, please contact [IAOPA HQ](#).

### **LINK TO IAOPA EUROPE NEWSLETTER**

Read the latest information on what IAOPA affiliates are doing in Europe. AOPA's in every part of the globe are making a positive difference for general aviation and there is simply not enough room to publish all that is being done to keep you flying. For the latest updates on what is going on at IAOPA Europe check their website at <http://www.iaopa.eu/>



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*Nothing can keep existing members, and attract new members, like reminding them of the great work that IAOPA affiliates, and IAOPA, are doing on national, regional, and*

*international levels to keep them flying. Great work is being done in all parts of the globe to advance the interests of general aviation, and the best way to share that message is to make sure that this newsletter gets to as many members, and non-members alike. So, I encourage you to publish this on your website, send on via email to your members, and do what you can to help spread the word.*

*Our focus with the e-News is to let the world know what IAOPA Affiliate around the globe are doing to keep general aviation flying. Each affiliate of IAOPA is encouraged to submit stories that we can post in e-News to share your successes so that others can benefit. Stories should be directed to the Secretary General, contact [IAOPA HQ](#) if you need additional information or have any questions.*