



# Unexpected Luxembourg

**invites IFALPA**



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#### 2018 IFALPA Conference

Dear Fellow Delegates,

On behalf of the Association Luxembourgeoise des Pilotes de Ligne (ALPL) and its members, I would like to cordially invite you to hold IFALPA's 2018 Conference in Luxembourg. This particular year will also be ALPL's 50th anniversary and it would be an honor to share such a special occasion with all our colleagues representing IFALPA here in New Orleans.

Over the years I have personally grown to recognize the importance of our collective voice in aviation and the necessary contribution each pilot association, large and small, can provide to fulfill IFALPA's purpose. Counting ourselves as one of the smaller associations of this federation, we would also welcome a chance to show our own national officials, first hand, what the ALPL is actually part of.

This is the first time Luxembourg has ever bid to hold Conference; with your voice of support and vote, we will strive for our part to make IFALPA-2018 in Luxembourg a memorable experience.

Respectfully yours,

Captain Darrell Myers  
Executive President

# Luxembourg in the heart of Europe

The Grand Duchy of Luxembourg is located in the heart of Europe, bordered by Belgium, France and Germany, which lies at the crossroads of Germanic and Latin cultures. It is the only Grand Duchy in the world and the second smallest of the European Union member states. The country's economy success is based on steel, finance and, due to its strategic location in the heart of Europe, a successful logistic hub centered around the nation's airport. Its location, history and given its size more natural beauty than one might expect, all making Luxembourg a very special place!



## 2018 - 50 years Luxembourg ALPA



The Association Luxembourgeoise des Pilotes de Ligne A.L.P.L. – Luxembourg's airline pilot association – was founded in 1968. Over the past fifty years the association has grown with the airline industry in the Grand – Duchy. The diversity of the country is reflected in the association, which represents today the interests of more than 600 pilots flying for Luxembourg based airlines. Despite its small size the A.L.P.L. is an active member in the International Federation of Airline Pilots Associations' and the European Cockpit Association. 2018 will mark the association's 50th anniversary, a reason to celebrate.



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DU GRAND-DUCHÉ DE LUXEMBOURG

International Federation of Air Line Pilots'  
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Capt. Martin Chalk, President  
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Luxembourg, November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Dear President Chalk,

On behalf of the Government of the Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg, we are pleased to announce our support for Luxembourg's bid for the IFALPA Annual Conference 2018.

Choosing Luxembourg as a destination to organize events or meetings guarantees the most modern infrastructure and considerable know-how, which particularly results from the country's role as an important business center and home to numerous European institutions. In addition to hosting important EU summits and receiving diplomats from around the world, the Grand Duchy has a decent record in organizing mid-scale international associative as well as commercial congresses and events.

Luxembourg's Government is moreover committed to transport and logistics, a field in which aviation represents a major segment.

We feel Luxembourg is the ideal location to host the IFALPA Annual Conference in 2018. The Government is looking forward to welcoming the International Federation of Air Line Pilots' Associations in Luxembourg and supporting the staging of the event.

Yours sincerely,

The Prime Minister

Xavier Bettel

The Secretary of State of the Economy

Francine Cloesener

# Luxembourg a UNESCO heritage site

The City of Luxembourg is placed high on a cliff, overlooking the deep and narrow valleys of the Alzette and Pétrusse rivers. Several parts of the old town are listed as UNESCO World Heritage Sites, and the most interesting places include the Cathedral of Notre Dame, the town fortifications with the Pétrusse casemates and the Grand Ducal Palace. Just wandering through the old centre, taking in the beautiful views and crossing bridges to the nearest plateaus is at least as great a way to discover the city.



# Luxembourg a diverse country

Today more than 170 different nationalities call the Grand Duchy home. In fact the country's population consists of more than a third of non-Luxembourgers from all over the world. The result is a great mix of nationalities and cultures. The cultural life is marked by the Grand Duchy's openness to the world, its diverse population and multilingualism, its exceptional natural settings and its festivals and traditions. The result is an amazing diversity, which has allowed Luxembourg to become a meeting point, a place to exchange ideas and experiences – a land of dialogue in the heart of Europe.





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**IFALPA Annual Conference 2018  
Application of the City of Luxembourg**

Dear President,  
Distinguished Members of IFALPA,

In my capacity as Mayor of the City of Luxembourg, I take great pleasure in cordially inviting you to hold the IFALPA Annual Conference 2018 in Luxembourg City, the capital of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg.

I have pleasure in commending this bid to you for the all-embracing and clear-cut vision presented by the Luxembourg City Tourist Office and its Convention Bureau. Both as well the local suppliers and/or PCOs have a long expertise to conduct major international events in the city. From the outset, the City of Luxembourg has done everything possible to support the Luxembourg bid to host the IFALPA Annual Conference 2018 and will continue to do so.

The City of Luxembourg is well known for its cosmopolitan flair, and is a most vibrant and truly welcoming city, drawing business and leisure visitors from all over the world. A flourishing economy, an active commitment to research, the recent best worldwide rankings regarding personal safety in the capital, a state-of-the art infrastructure and an open-minded and reliable political framework build an ideal backdrop for international meetings. As one of the three seats of the European Union's main institutions, and a renowned financial services centre, the City of Luxembourg is accustomed to deliver a high-performance experience to top-level business people.

On behalf of the City Government, I can assure you that this bid embodies the values of your profession, and measures up with the expectations of your key leaders, guest speakers, corporate representatives and last but not least, of most ambitious meeting attendants.

We look forward to welcoming you in Luxembourg, a wonderful place to meet and to discover.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Lydie Polfer  
Lord Mayor  
City of Luxembourg

# Luxembourg a world financial center

Luxembourg is a first rate financial marketplace. Some 150 banks operate out of the Grand Duchy, making it the leading centre in Europe for investment funds, for private banking in the Eurozone, and the domicile of choice for reinsurance companies. The banks located in the Grand Duchy specialise in private banking, insurance, the functions of custodian bank for investment funds and fund administration, and in the distribution of shares in investment funds. The activities of the financial marketplace are also diversifying into the fields of microfinance, philanthropy and Islamic finance.



# Luxembourg a founding member of the EU

Luxembourg was one of the six founding members of the European Economic Community in, which became what is known today as European Union. Since then Luxembourg has always been involved in the process of building Europe. and its capital is one of the three 'capitals' of the European Union and home to several institutions of the EU, such as the European Court of Auditors and the Court of Justice of the European Union. It was in the Luxembourg town of Schengen, that the Schengen Treaty, one of the most important agreements in the history of Europe, was signed. The treaty that became synonymous for the freedom of movement within Europe.



Let us show you what we call home -  
let us show you Luxembourg.

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**host its 2018 conference**  
**in Luxembourg!**



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