



The aviation industry
is too important to leave
to the industry alone

It's a vital ingredient in bringing
welfare to our citizens

Why?

- Global industry with local and regional impact
- Global industry depending on local infrastructure and public investments
- Global industry with severe environmental side effects locally

Why?

- Global industry – generates local and regional economic growth
- Global industry that brings Europe together and Europe with the world
- Who stays only in the airport?

Airport regions play an important role in Europe

- Aviation is a key element for the success of EU Lisbon and Cohesion policies.
- The airport regions are the engines for economic growth and European global competitiveness.
- The airport regions are focal points for bringing Europe together.

Changes in the air and on the ground

- Airlines come and go
- Airport revenue
 - more from non aeronautical activities.
- Continuous growth
 - Lack of airport capacity, noise exposure
- Tsunami, Terrorism, Trafficking

Airport regions need an “aviation strategy”

- A long term perspective on air transport and local and regional development
 - Spatial planning, environment, economic development, transport system
 - Air service development, infrastructure investments, quality of life, education
 - International perspective and partnerships,

Airport Regions Conference

- *Enhance the role of regional and local governments as active partners in the development of European Transport Policies*
- *Co-operate at European level to pursue common interests*
- *Undertake common initiatives for the exchange of information and best practice among its members*

ARC today

- More than 30 cities and regions
- hosting major international airports
- 16 countries
- ~100 mill citizens
- ~500 mill pax

ARC Activities

- Interest Groups
- Meetings and Conferences
- Lobby and Expertise

ARC Activities

- Interest Groups
 - Business and Employment
 - Transport and Surface accessibility
 - Environment
 - Spatial Planning
- Quality of life
- Education

ARC Activities - meetings

- Annual General Meeting
- Half Yearly Meeting
- Seminars
 - STRAIR, Brussels, June 2006
- Conference
 - Mediation, Vienna, September 2006
 - Capacity, Oslo, January 2007