



Press Release

AFRAA Inks MoU with ALTA for mutual benefit of Airlines in Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean Region

Nairobi, 29 October 2021 – The African Airlines Association (AFRAA) has signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the Latin American and Caribbean Air Transport Association (ALTA) to support the socio-economic integration, prosperity and sustainable development of civil aviation in the regions represented by the two Associations.

The MoU was signed by Abdérahmane Berthé, AFRAA's Secretary General and José Ricardo Botelho, ALTA's Executive Director & CEO at the 2021 ALTA Airline Leaders Forum in Bogota, Colombia.

Under the framework of the collaboration, AFRAA and ALTA will work closely on actions to achieve common objectives for the mutual benefit of their membership on advocacy at global level, airline cost-saving best practices, airline financing, environmental sustainability, liberalization and connectivity, data exchange, training and addressing the subject of high taxes, charges and fees.

Speaking at the signing ceremony, AFRAA Secretary General, Mr. Abdérahmane Berthé stated: "The airline industry in Africa faces various similar opportunities and challenges as those experienced in the Latin American and Caribbean regions. AFRAA is excited to forge a close working relationship with ALTA as this will facilitate the sharing of information and ideas to enhance the development of air transport and address the common challenges faced by airlines in our respective regions."

The MoU synergizes the unique expertise and experience by both Associations. AFRAA and ALTA will hold regular meetings to review the implementation of the annual Action Plan and explore areas for future collaboration.

About AFRAA

The African Airlines Association, also known by its acronym AFRAA, is a trade association of airlines from the member states of the African Union (AU). Founded in Accra, Ghana, in April 1968, and headquartered in Nairobi, Kenya, AFRAA's mission is to promote, serve African Airlines and champion Africa's aviation industry. The Association envisions a sustainable, interconnected and affordable Air Transport industry in Africa where African Airlines become key players and drivers to African economic development.

AFRAA membership of 46 airlines cuts across the entire continent and includes all the major intercontinental African operators. The Association members represent over 85% of total international traffic carried by African airlines. Follow us on [Facebook](#), [LinkedIn](#), [Twitter](#) and [YouTube](#).