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Solutions for aircraft operators participating in the EU ETS

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A group of leading experts in the EU Emissions Trading Scheme, sustainable logistics and the aviation sector has created AIRETS, an internet information and discussion platform for aircraft operators covered by the European emissions trading scheme.

As part of the obligations under the European Emissions Trading Scheme, aircraft operators flying into or out of any EU airport will have to submit a monitoring plan by 31st August 2009 to the competent authority in their administering member state and to monitor and report data regularly from 2010 onwards. Member states are responsible for the implementation of the European Directive 2008/101/EC and on 2 February 2010 all Member States must have transposed the requirements of the EU Directive into National Law.

Mr. Erik van Agtmaal, one of the experts that initiated the forum, said *“We have observed large differences between administering member states in Europe. Some countries have adopted a proactive approach while others are lagging behind in their communication and internal processes. On the short run there is a need in the aviation sector for more information on the required administrative processes. In the longer run aircraft operators will have to learn how to integrate emissions trading into their business strategies. Our information and discussion forum and services will help air transport companies to reduce costs and risks related to the EU ETS”*.

AIRETS provides a communication forum as well as access to solutions in all areas of the EU ETS. An internet forum is available for aircraft operators serving as a platform for all kind of questions and answers related to the Emissions Trading Scheme. Access to the forum on www.airets.org is for free for aircraft operators. Frequently asked questions and answers are bundled and will be disseminated among registered aircraft operators.

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