

FABEC ANSPs

FABEC renews commitment to joint initiatives under new chairman

17 January 2020;- Prof Klaus-Dieter Scheurle, Chairman and CEO of Deutsche Flugsicherung GmbH (DFS), became chairman of the FABEC CEO Board in January 2020, on conclusion of Michiel van Dorst, CEO of LVNL the Netherlands' tenure in the annual change of leadership. Among key objectives, FABEC will continue to pursue enhanced performance and capacity increasing measures alongside joint initiatives already underway in collaboration with the Network Manager. The CEO Board supports wider stakeholder involvement through social dialogue meetings and discussion groups, and targets special focus on activities that reduce environmental impact.

Under Michiel van Dorst's tenure FABEC ANSPs delivered substantial benefits by providing operational improvements both in terms of service quality and through the introduction of innovative procedures such as free route operations and cross-border arrivals management. Cooperation between all aviation stakeholders both at European level and internally improved significantly.

Klaus-Dieter Scheurle said: "I would like to thank Michiel van Dorst for leading FABEC ANSPs during 2019. FABEC is the proven regional collaboration platform of States and ANSPs of the Single European Sky. In addition, FABEC offers the opportunity to launch new strategic initiatives such as harmonisation of ATM data and integration of unmanned aerial systems (UAS) in European airspace on a regional scale."

The airspace of the six FABEC States of Belgium, France, Germany, Luxembourg, the Netherlands and Switzerland is one of the busiest and most complex in the world. The majority of major European airports, major civil airways and military training areas are located in this area. FABEC airspace covers 1.7 million km² and handles about 5.8 million flights per year – 55% of European air traffic.

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