



# European Aviation Safety Agency

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**Subject:** Invitation to EASA conference to be held on 23 June 2009  
"Locally Approved, Globally Accepted - A regulatory approach to harmonisation and flexibility"

Dear Sir or Madam,

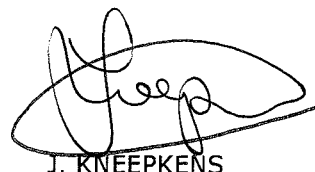
It is my pleasure to invite you to a one-day conference on the European Aviation Safety Agency's (EASA) approach to harmonisation and flexibility. The conference aims to inform aviation experts and policy makers about the EASA legal framework within the Community Regulatory system, the performance based approach to rulemaking and the proposals on how to structure the system using certification specifications and acceptable means of compliance.

The morning session of the conference will provide a general overview of the Regulatory System and the EASA legal framework. After that, we will focus on certification specifications and acceptable means of compliance, with detailed information about the current system and our proposals for the future, including case studies to look at the proposals from a practical point of view. To finalise, we will try to integrate all the concepts, expanding on our views on the implementation of the total system approach and safety management systems.

It is our intention to acquaint the participants in detail with the Agency's views and proposals on how to achieve harmonisation while ensuring an adequate level of flexibility, to better put into perspective the recent NPAs on the first extension of scope.

For more information on the conference, please consult our website ("Events"). The conference programme and information on the location will be published soon. The conference is open for registered participants only who will receive a confirmation of their registration (250 participants maximum). Registrations can be sent to [ir-workshops@easa.europa.eu](mailto:ir-workshops@easa.europa.eu) and will be dealt with on a first come, first served basis. For any further information, please call Narcisa Mihailescu (+49 221 89990 5053).

Yours sincerely,



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