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EU Public consultation on the revised Climate, Energy and Environmental Aid Guidelines (CEEAG)

The International Air Transport Association (IATA) welcomes the opportunity to comment the EU Public consultation on the revised Climate, Energy and Environmental Aid Guidelines (CEEAG)

IATA is the global trade association of the world's airlines representing more than 290 airlines. In 2009, IATA along with the global aviation industry set ambitious de-carbonization goals including carbon neutral growth from 2020, and halving net CO₂ by 2050, relative to 2005 levels. Meeting these targets will involve a suite of measures, including new aircraft and engines, more efficient flight and operating procedures and improved airport infrastructure. Since these goals were established, fuel efficiency has improved at an annualised rate of 2.3%, exceeding the 1.5% target.

IATA welcomes the possibility for States to support airlines' efforts to reduce their carbon footprint through the introduction of aircraft that deliver a better environmental performance than their existing fleet. The development of new, more efficient aircraft and engines is a key element of the industry's environmental strategy, with each new generation of aircraft having double-digit fuel efficiency improvements (source: ATAG). Similarly, the noise footprint of new aircraft is at least 15% smaller than that of the aircraft they replace.

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