



# CONVENTION INFORMATION 2020



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Welcome to

# THE 2020 CONVENTION



## Going Green

This year's convention sees the EAC return to Brussels, the first Convention in the Belgian capital for 7 years, this time in a new venue. The theme for the 2020 will circulate around the sustainability of airshows, in a period where Climate change is at the forefront of many nations thinking, with real changes being introduced that will affect airshows and events as a whole.

We will welcome speakers from across the world to give us differing views and approaches to sustainability, showing us the real challenges around the environmental aspects of events, but also how we can help to reduce our impact and mitigate against the perceptions and our footprints.

In addition to our focus theme, we will also welcome presentations on Human Factors and Decision making, media production, commentators, Regulators and learn more about elements of the previous year and future seasons

There is something in the programme for all in addition to networking opportunities and the annual Airshow Dinner.



## WHY VISIT?

The EAC Convention is the largest gathering of Airshow Industry professionals from across Europe and further afield. The aim of EAC is to 'Promote Safety and Excellence' in Airshows, which is strived to meet by learning, adopting best practice and understanding the needs of the delegates from a wide landscape of nationalities.

The convention is a great place to meet, greet and engage with like-minded professionals in a friendly and welcoming location, making best use of networking opportunities and presentations.

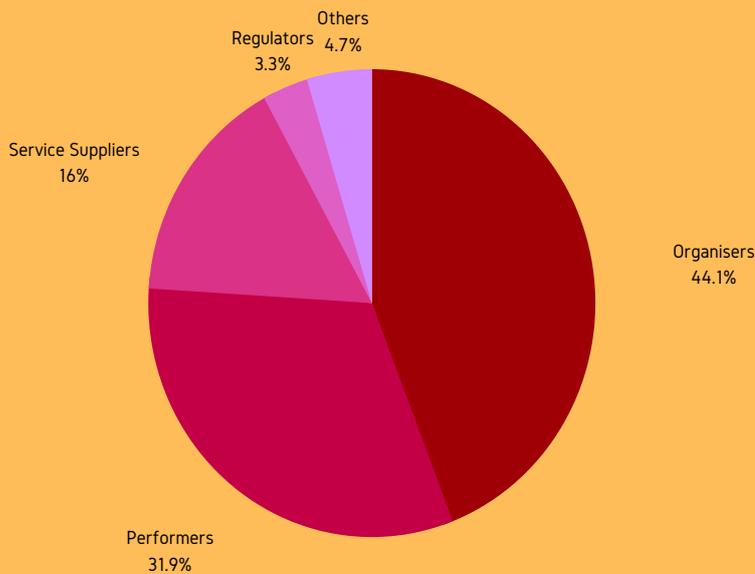
Whether you are a Performer, Organiser, Regulator, Service Supplier or anything else in the world of airshows, the aim is to get people together, learn and talk with each other. There is something for all in the EAC Convention and if you only take one thing away that helps your business and our industry the trip and visit has been worth it.

2020 Will be the 20th EAC Convention and each year it grows, becomes more successful and diverse. We welcome new delegates and those returning, many of which have been with us through our journey spanning the last 2 decades. For more information on the Convention and the EAC in general please take a look at the EAC website:

[WWW.EUROPEAN-AIRSHOW.COM](http://WWW.EUROPEAN-AIRSHOW.COM)



# FACTS AND FIGURES

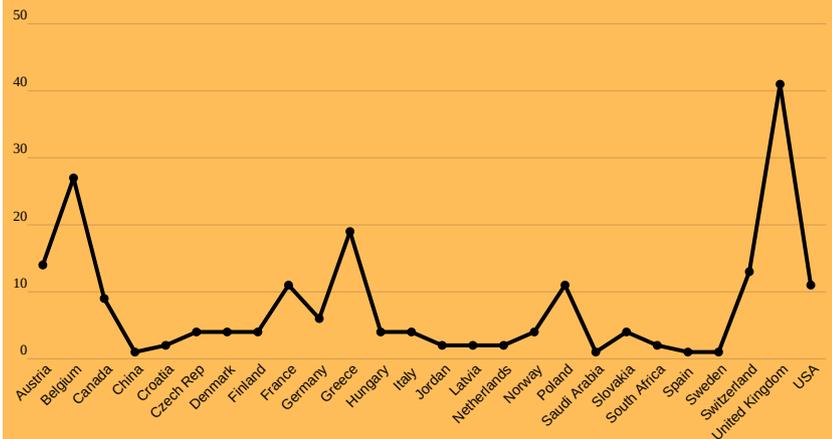


## OUR CURRENT DELEGATION

Our current makeup based on the most recent figures from 2019 shows our base demographic of the delegation, with the top two groups being made up of Organisers and Performers. There has also been a slight growth in service suppliers and regulator interest as nations move to look at airshows and flying displays more closely.

## INTERNATIONAL REPRESENTATION

Since its formation in 1999 the EAC has seen representatives from no less than 35 nations, spanning the globe from every hemisphere. In 2019 a total of 26 nations were represented in the delegation including the USA, Canada, South Africa, China and many non European nations. The Convention is held in high regard across the globe for its professional standing, but its delivery in a friendly and welcoming environment.



## DELEGATE FEEDBACK 2019

- Great Convention, Brilliant location, Adds alot of value
- Another Excellent Convention, Better than others”!
- More friendly and useful convention than other, more personal and less business oriented.
- Excellent Presentations, Great mix and great content.
- Excellent Location, great Hotel in the heart of the City, Excellent Food, Accommodation and Presentations, the best yet!
- As always your great efforts have paid off, Just Great!
- Superb mix of presentations with knowledgeable speakers and great content.
- Friendly staff, environment and such a great location. A great convention and networking opportunity.
- Thanks for a Great Convention yet again! I think this has been the best yet!

# PROGRAMME OVERVIEW



The EAC follows a traditional programme format which has been tweaked and changed over the years based on feedback from our delegates.

## THURSDAY 27 FEB 2020

1300 - Special Side Seminars (Booked)  
1900 - Welcome Drinks and Dinner  
Reception for All Delegates

## FRIDAY 28 FEB 2020

0900- Official Opening of the Convention  
0915 - Day 1 Presentations  
1730 - Day 1 Closure  
1930 - Airshow Dinner

## SATURDAY 29 FEB 2020

0900- Day 2 Presentations Commence  
1230 - Day 2 & Convention Closes

## PRESENTATION PREVIEW

Each year we aim to bring you relevant, informative and current presentations from different presenters across a broad spectrum. Here are a few of the planned presentations for 2020.

- Pilot Decision Making
- Formation Decision Making
- Event Sustainability\*
- Practical Steps for Ecology\*
- Electric Flight\*
- Commentary Qualities
- Modern Media Broadcasting
- Safety and Risk Management

We are awaiting confirmation from more speakers to enhance the programme, which will be released as we move closer to the 2020 Convention



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# HOTEL LE PLAZA BRUSSELS



The hotel and venue for this years convention is the Le Plaza Hotel, located in the heart of Brussels, where the old city meets new. Based on delegate feedback the request for quality and service, the hotel has been selected taking this into account, boasting excellent meeting facilities in grand surroundings with nicely appointed guest rooms and facilities.

The hotel bears the Belgian Royal Families Coat of Arms and is the hotel of choice for visiting Dignatories, Royalty and other VIPs to the city.

In 1930 Le Plaza Brussels opened its doors. 2020 will therefore be a festive year in which the family owned hotel will celebrate it's 90th birthday. Their main asset is the constant will to renew ourselves while remaining at your disposal and staying close to you.

The years pass by and the same passion still drives the team: To make your stay at Le Plaza a perfect and unforgettable moment! The jewel of the city, Le Plaza is a perfect combination of elegance, tradition and comfortable modernity.

Belgian Royal Warrant Holder



Hotel Le Plaza was appointed "Belgian Royal Warrant Holder". It is the only hotel in Belgium which is the holder of this honour. The title "Royal Warrant Holder" is a privilege which is bestowed by his Majesty the King to acknowledge his trust and appreciation. It confirms the quality of service and of products. As much as an honour, it also means a responsibility; Royal Warrant Holders have to prove that they are worthy of the title, whatever the circumstances, and that they are committed to maintain and improve their level of excellence.

Celebrating  
90 YEARS



# TRAVEL

Brussels has an excellent transport links and is easy to get to from all European destinations By Air, Train or Car.

**From the Airport:**The Le Plaza Hotel is located about 30 minutes from Brussels airport.**By Train:**The airport train station is located below the terminal (basement level -1). Up to 4 trains per hour connect the airport to Brussels North station.

**By Taxi:**Taxis are easily to be found in front of the airport. Airport – Le Plaza Brussels will cost you approximately 50 euros and will take you about 20 minutes.

**From the Midi train station :****By Métro/Tram:**Take the line 6, direction Simonis Elisabeth, to the Rogier station.**Rogier.****By Taxi:**Taxis are easily to be found in front of the station. This will cost you approximately 15 euros and will take you about 10 minutes.

**From the North train station:****By foot: (5 minutes)**Take the rue du Progrès and head towards the place Rogier. Go straight ahead until you reach the Le Plaza hotel, on the right side of the boulevard. **By Métro/Tram:**Take the line 3 or 4, direction Churchill or Stalle, to the Rogier station.

**From the Central train station:****By Metro:** Take the line 1 or 5, direction Gare de l'Ouest or Erasme. Get off at De Brouckère station and take the line 3 or 4, direction Esplanade or Gare du Nord, to the Rogier station.**By Taxi:**taxis are easily to be found in front of the station. This will cost you approximately 10 euros and will take you 5 – 10 minutes.

**By Car :**Read the regulations of the Brussels-Capital Region (Text below).Go to our address Boulevard A. Max 118, 1000 Brussels with your GPS.

**By Bike:**The car park has a free and secure area for bicycles.



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Low Emission Zone .brusselsTo improve the air quality in the region, the Brussel-Capital Region has established a LEZ or “Low Emission Zone” since January 2018. In this zone the use of the most polluting vehicles is prohibited. The regulation affects cars, vans ≤ 3.5 tons, and buses and coaches, registered in Belgium or abroad. Diesel vehicles Euro 1 and 2 and vehicles without the Euro standard are not allowed to drive in Brussels. Petrol vehicles with Euro 1 standard and petrol vehicles without a Euro standard are banned as well. However, for vehicles that don't meet the access criteria of the LEZ it is possible to buy a day pass (35€) which will allow you to enter Brussels. This pass needs to be bought before entering the Brussels area. The following applies for all vehicles registered abroad: Cars (of categories M1, M2, M3 and N), both vehicles that don't meet the access criteria as vehicles that do, must register online before their visit to Brussels using an electronic form. For more information, to buy a day pass or to register online, please click on the following link: <https://lez.brussels/en>



## MEMBERSHIP

From 2020 The EAC will become a membership Organisation with the convention being open only to Members of the European Airshow Council. This can be completed by joining the EAC whilst booking your Convention Place. EAC membership is 50 Euros per year for individuals or 150 Euros for Organisations, allowing 4 named members of your organisation to have membership benefits of EAC. Early Registration, Your membership will become active as of the 27th February 2019. This will also entitle you to additional benefits with the International Council of Airshows.

Members of ICAS do not need to have EAC membership, but will need to provide their membership details upon booking their convention place.

Membership will in future include discounted Convention Rates for current members. Access to all documents on the EAC Website, Newsletters and Access to the EAC Airshow Manual. Other benefits are currently being considered by the EAC Board.

## REGISTRATION

To register for this years convention to avoid additional booking fees, the booking of the hotel and convention are separate. Please use the hotel booking form to reserve your room directly with the hotel and follow the Convention booking form for your Convention Registration. Booking Forms are available from the EAC Website. Please note that the discounted hotel rates will cease on the 27th January 2019 and rooms cannot be guaranteed as the block booking will be released due to contract agreements.

## DELEGATE RATES

All prices are in € Euros.

• Single Delegate 3 days	450.00
• Partner Social Events Only 3 days	300.00
• 2 Delegates 3 days	850.00
• 3 Delegates 3 days	1250.00
• 4 Delegates 3 days	1650.00
• Additional Delegates	400.00

## HOTEL RATES

If you wish to stay in the convention hotel we have arranged a great fee for you. The normal price for rooms is 495.00 / 524.00 per room per night. The room rates below are only available until **27th January 2020.**

• Single Occupancy	125.00
• Double Occupancy	140.00
• Deluxe Room Supplement	30.00

Rates are per room, per night and include buffet breakfast and include all taxes. Please note the local tax of 4.24Euro is not included and will must be paid on arrival.



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