

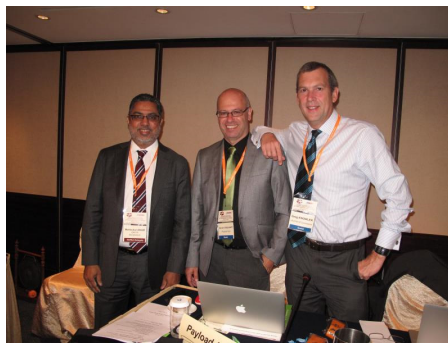
## **FAPAA LIAISON SUB-COMMITTEE**

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### ***Report on the 41<sup>st</sup> FAPAA ECM and AGM Meetings, 12 - 14 June 2014 in Hong Kong***

HAFFA hosted the 41st Executive Council Meeting (ECM) and Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Federation of Asia Pacific Aircargo Associations (FAPAA) in Hong Kong for the third time. The event was held at the Hotel Nikko Hongkong (currently known as “New World Millennium Hong Kong Hotel”) between 12 and 14 June 2014.



The business agenda meetings, held over 2 days were attended by delegates from 19 member countries and / or regions of the Asia Pacific. FAPAA brings together the members once a year, to provide an opportunity to learn from one another on developments within the industry and share information on important practical and technical aspects of the air freight forwarding industry.



The FAPAA meetings were opened by Mr. Yau Shing Mu, Under-Secretary for Transport and Housing Bureau, HKSAR on 13 June 2014 who praised the member associations for continuing their efforts to raise awareness for issues in the freight forwarding industry of the Asia Pacific at this important meeting and for choosing to hold their latest meeting in Hong Kong China.

FAPAA Members shared information and updates from their liaison with the International Air Transport Association (IATA), on a number of topics

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including the project to implement aspects of the e-freight initiative, particularly the e-airway bill (*e-AWB*) and the Electronic Security Declaration (*e-CSD*).



Security in the Air Cargo Industry was again one of the most important issues discussed over the 2 days of meetings as it is an essential part of the Freight Forwarding business operations. Members discussed progress and developments on enhancements to security programs in their respective countries and / or regions.

One of the most important topics discussed was the impending EU aviation security regulation

known as ACC3, requiring airlines and their origin and /or transit airports to acquire accreditation by 01 July 2014, in order to be able to carry cargo into the European Union, Certain origin countries and their airports and carriers were exempt but the remainder required this validation. Another important topic that FAPAA is keeping a close eye on is the global IATA Cargo Modernization Program (*CAMP*) being discussed and debated by representatives from FIATA and IATA which will have an impact on our region.

FAPAA was pleased to welcome members from the China International Forwarders Association (*CIFA*) attending for the first time as full members, after joining FAPAA during the year. All delegates contributed greatly to the meetings, discussing, amongst other matters, issues they face with air cargo operations; education and training, communication and information technology systems and programs. A progressive outcome was the creation of working groups to focus on specific areas of expertise and knowledge to assist other members in the region with their challenges.



FAPAA is always looking to encourage new memberships from the countries within the Asia Pacific Region and to facilitate greater communication amongst the freight forwarding Associations. FAPAA now has 20 member countries and / or regions with the addition of China in year 2014.

Taking this opportunity, HAFFA would like to particularly express our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to all Members who had taken part in the event and the following sponsors again for their generous contribution. Your kind support is indeed crucial to the success of this meaningful event.



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To compound our good future, we are fortunate to be able to continue strengthening our relationships with many countries stakeholders at the FAPAA meeting. The continued success of FAPAA is dependent on every link in the chain being strong, working together unified in purpose and goals, with the very aim to strive towards enhancing the business environment for and uplifting the standards of our industry.

The next FAPAA ECM and AGM of FAPAA will be held in Taipei, immediately prior to the FIATA World Congress, between 06 and 08 September 2015.



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