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Dear friends

It seems that, at last, society is opening up, at least in Europe. Therefore I think that it will be possible to hold a physical AGM next year.

Without more chit-chat, find a summary of current (mostly) EASA topics. As a highlight, René pointed out the the LPR initiative (language proficiency) and I have to agree him on this one. There's not too much time to react and your comments are welcome. Some of you might have already had the same information through EAS/Nils Rostedt. but here you find the same information. You will find more detailed information from the first section of this letter.

If everything goes well, I will attach more detailed information from the upcoming AGM event in the next News Flash so we would be able see each other next year in Denmark!

Hope to see you soon and stay safe and healthy!

Comment by René: Probably we will see some Viking ships...

Consultation of draft Best Intervention Strategy on "Language Proficiency Assessment and Oversight"

EASA distributed a letter as regards what is mentioned above. The Best Intervention Strategy (BIS) is a tool to assess issues that presumably deserve the intervention of the Agency with the aim to determine the positive and negative impacts of possible actions and, in case appropriate actions are identified as necessary and suitable, to support the prioritisation of such new actions in the European Plan for Aviation Safety (EPAS).

Stakeholders are kindly invited to provide comments and data on the BIS "Language Proficiency Assessment and Oversight" report by filling in the feedback form. All documents are available at the AB consultation webpage.

The BIS is available for comments to all Advisory Bodies. The Agency would welcome to receive consolidated comments and is therefore encouraging Member States and stakeholders to provide them per Member State, industry sector, association or advisory group. Please kindly send your feedback to the EPFU presidency until 8/10/2021 to harmonise the inputs with those of Europe Air Sports (EAS).

We attach the three documents we received to this News Flash to encourage you to comment.

Electrifly-In 2021

Was held at Grenchen (LSZG) on 11 and 12 September 2021. For rankings, pictures and details go to

<https://electrifly-in.ch/de/mission-2/>



Aurora borealis over Siberia @FL410



Electrifly-In
Switzerland



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Electrify-In Switzerland 2021 was the fifth of its kind and thus a small anniversary, was celebrated this weekend in Grenchen, where professionals and friends of electrified flying have once again gathered at the only Fly-In for electric and hybrid aircraft in Europe. It was impressive to see how the various electric flying projects are developing and how enthusiastically the teams involved are pursuing their objectives – to fly cleaner and less noisy. After 50 years of technically unchanged flight, aviation is definitely at a turning point. Established systems in propulsion, design and aerodynamics, for example, are being rethought and challenged, resulting in exceptional innovations.



R. Meier and the four winners of the EPFU prize

One of the highlights of the event was the presentation of the eTrophies, for the first time in three categories. The winner of the all-electric category is Marc Corpataux of AlpineAirPlanes with the Pipistrel Velis Electro. Thanks to the generous support of the main sponsor Waterjet Ltd. Aarwangen, cash prizes were again awarded.

For the first time, a new prize was awarded. The organisers were pleased that the European Powered Flying Union (EPFU), headquartered in Paris, donated the “Recognition Award for an Aviation Achievement” with CHF 1'000. This year the prize was given to the four eTALK participants, Rachel Moor, flight attendant at SWISS International Airlines and future pilot, Carlo Schmid, world record pilot and young entrepreneur, Dennis Briechle, municipal councillor of Biel (GLP) and Florian Erni, materials and process engineer. The general public also had the opportunity to fly in an electric plane for the first time. “A great experience! I felt completely safe aboard the Pipistrel Velis Electro and not hearing the engine at all was a special but a pleasant experience”, said one of the approximately 30 passengers enthusiastically after the round-trip flight landing.

In the exhibition hall, discussions were intense. The projects that came up were innovative and fascinating, such as rs.aero with the elfin or AdvanTec with the e-rop. Now people get to know each other as experts; Electrify-In is an essential event in the aviation calendar and the exchange took place in a friendly and pleasant atmosphere.

The varied symposium, with specialized presentations, attracted a large number of visitors, including a large professional audience. It was particularly exciting to hear what the projects presented for the first time in the last year have been implemented over the last 12 months. This is the case with the eSling project and Pie Aeronefs, which will be the only Swiss team to take part in the eAirRace World Championships with their racing e-aircraft. The report presented by Marco Buholzer, founder and owner of the first electro flying school Pitch Power, was also very informative.

Generation Y - the next step in aviation was the theme of this year's eTALK. The host of the roundtable, Dominique Gisin, also Electrify-In Ambassador welcomed four guests: Rachel Moor, flight attendant at SWISS International Airlines and future pilot, Carlo Schmid, world record pilot and young entrepreneur, Dennis Briechle, municipal councillor of Biel (GLP) and Florian Erni, materials and process engineer, who is also a pilot in training. Their commitment to aviation, their passion for flying and their vision for the future were discussed. It was agreed that Switzerland, one of the world's most innovative countries in the field of electric aviation, can play a pioneering role, especially in view of the many exciting and sustainable development projects currently under development.

Irrevocably, electric aviation is increasingly conquering the skies and we can look forward to the sixth edition of Electrify-In Switzerland, eTrophy & Symposium. The event will (sadly) take place at Bern Airport on September 10th and 11th, 2022.

Text by courtesy of the organiser, prepared by Mrs Monika Pieren, except for the (sadly) in the last sentence, this was added by R. Meier...



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Terms of Reference (ToR), Notices of Proposed Amendments (NPA), Comment Response Documents (CRD), Opinions, Agency Decisions, and Public Consultations by 1/10/2021, titles or text parts in bold characters means that the texts are at least partially important for our community:

ToR: None

NPA: 24/6/2021, NPA 2021-08, Enhanced mobility options and streamlined qualifications for air traffic controllers, has a **new end date for comments: 8/10/2021** is the new date. The “link” if your are interested in the topic:

<https://www.easa.europa.eu/document-library/notices-of-proposed-amendment/npa-2021-08>

13/8/2021, NPA 2021-10, Prevention of catastrophic accidents due to rotorcraft hoist issues. **Comment period ends now on 27/10/2021**. The “link” for interested parties:

https://www.easa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/dfu/npa_2021-10.pdf

Agency Decisions: 16/9/2021, ED Decision 2021/012/R, Regular update of CS-FCD — CS-FCD Issue 2. The objective of this Decision is to reflect, within the scope of regular updates, the best practices and experience gained since the first implementation of the Certification Specifications for Operational Suitability Data (OSD) for Flight Crew (CS-FCD) (CS-FCD Initial Issue was published on 31 January 2014). Probably, the easiest way to get an overview is to start your reading with the “Change Information”. This is the “link” to all related publications:

<https://www.easa.europa.eu/document-library/agency-decisions/ed-decision-2021012r>

CRD: 2/9/2021, CRD 2020-03, Amendment of the requirements for flight recorders and underwater locating devices — Certification specifications, acceptable means of compliance, and guidance material for locating an aircraft in distress. The “link”:

<https://www.easa.europa.eu/document-library/comment-response-documents/crd-2020-03>

16/9/2021, CRD 2020-08, Regular update of the Certification Specifications for Operational Suitability Data (OSD) Flight Crew Data (CS-FCD), a summary of the stakeholders’ comments submitted to NPA 2020-08 is provided together with ED Decision 2020/012/R. Here the address for more information:

https://www.easa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/dfu/crd_2020-08.pdf

17/9/2021, CRD 2020-13, Regular update of CS-22 (RMT.0037), for the sailplane operators, thus for our records only. In interested in the topic, this is the address:

<https://www.easa.europa.eu/document-library/comment-response-documents/crd-2020-13>

Opinions: 16/9/2021, Opinion No 04/2021, A continuing airworthiness management organisation (CAMO) for a single air carrier business grouping. Not directly for us, nevertheless this brings you to the texts:

<https://www.easa.europa.eu/document-library/opinions/opinion-no-042021>



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EU Consultations: None of relevance for the moment.

EU Regulations: Nothing new for us

EU Publications: 24.9.2021, Resolution (EU) 2021/1597 of the European Parliament of 29.4.2021, with observations forming an integral part of the decision on discharge in respect of the implementation of the budget of the **European Union Aviation Safety Agency** for the financial year 2019, published in the Official Journal of the EU L 340/279, containing interesting remarks and statement regarding the functioning of our favourite Agency. is the electronic address to the full text:

<http://data.europa.eu/eli/res/2021/1597/oj>

An interesting reading will be this one:

24.9.2021, Resolution (EU) 2021/1609 of the European Parliament of 29.4.2021, with observations forming an integral part of the decision on discharge in respect of the implementation of the budget of the **European Union Agency for Railways** for the financial year 2019, published in the same Official Journal, this not only because of the missing word "safety", much more because of the wording chosen... For the full text please go to

<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/res/2021/1609/oj>

2021 EASA Annual Safety Conference - Safety in Air Traffic Management (Virtual Event)

will take place on 10/11/2021. For more information and to register please go to

<https://www.easa.europa.eu/newsroom-and-events/events/2021-easa-annual-safety-conference-safety-air-traffic-management>



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For latest COVID-19 Information available from EASA you may use these electronic addresses:

<https://www.easa.europa.eu/document-library>

<https://www.easa.europa.eu/the-agency/coronavirus-covid-19>

<https://www.easa.europa.eu/newsroom-and-events/news/easa-publishes-guidance-icao-targeted-exemptions-notification-process>





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Best wishes, kind regards,

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