



EASA fees and charges

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Why a fees and charges Regulation?

- EASA needs income to pay its certification staff
- EASA has an obligation to charge applicants for the issue of certificates and approvals
 - ✦ articles 48 and 53 of Regulation 1592/2002
 - ✦ EASA needs income to provide certification services to aviation sector
- No support for EASA certification from public finances

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Who is responsible?

- Adoption/modification of EASA system is responsibility of the European Commission
 - ✦ Technical input from EASA and NAAs
 - ✦ Under discussion in EASA Management Board since early 2004
 - ✦ Approval by EASA Committee (EU member states)
 - ✦ Management Board has consulted ABIP several times on the issue since 2003
- Should be in force early 2005

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Challenges

- Creation of a common charging system for the first time
 - ✦ Detailed estimates of workload
 - ✦ Complexity due to range of activities covered

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Scope

- "Charges"
 - ✦ Services such as training, publications
 - ✦ Appeals
- "Fees"
 - ✦ Certification services related to products and organisations (article 15 of Regulation 1592/2002)

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Principles

- Charges
 - ✦ Straightforward
 - ✦ Charges to reflect the cost of providing the service
 - ✦ Communicated to the buyer on a case-by-case basis or in a published price list
 - ✦ For the moment, only appeals are covered
 - ✦ EASA will add to the list of services in the future

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Principles (2)

→ Fees

- ✦ More complicated
- ✦ Allocation of Agency's costs (activities funded by fees/charges vs. EC budget contribution)
- ✦ Fees divided into categories according to product type and certification category
- ✦ EASA texts used as charging basis (Parts 21, 145, 147, 66, certification specifications)



Principles (3)

→ Fees (contd.)

- ✦ All fees contain a fixed part, intended to cover certification's share of Agency overheads and other costs
- ✦ Certain tasks also give rise to a variable (hourly) fee, notably for product certification
- ✦ Variable (hourly) fee covers the cost of EASA certification experts assigned to projects



Monitoring/review

- EASA is putting into place a system allowing it to keep track of the resources devoted to different activities
- Adjustments to the system will be necessary
- EASA wishes to involve partners in ongoing reviews of the system in the light of experience



Questions?

- Thank you for your attention