



CIEA-REPORT TO THE FAI GENERAL CONFERENCE, RHODES, GREECE

In the 102nd. year of FAI the CIEA worked on various issues to elaborate on the themes developed in the previous two years on the so-called 'generations issue', which is becoming the number-one priority of CIEA.

The CIEA-meeting of 27 and 28 April in Limerick, Ireland further concentrated on analysing the demographic developments for FAI and the aerospace-community and finding solutions to this demographic challenge which marks our future.

We are considering new approaches to the general public and the younger generations to ensure we will have enough minds and hands to handle the continuing growth in the aerospace-sector and to ensure enough follow-up in the aging airports-communities. CIEA has discussed possible solutions and made some recommendations to the airports- and aerospace-communities:

- Make use of retiring or retired aviators and technicians to transfer their know-how to younger generations and perform all kinds of training;
- Select the best of available capable keen youngsters to inspire and motivate other youngsters from their generation;
- Develop mentors-programs for all ages, specially the younger generations;
- Develop more programs for teachers in and outside the school-curriculums;
- Use the motivation- and promotion-effects of parents in their role;
- Involve youngsters in the role of observer or participants in Boards;
- Find informal educational means besides the traditional formal forms;
- Use more proactive and interactive education-methods;
- Make more use of advanced internet-applications;
- Think of more new 'out of the box' methods and solutions.

CIEA is working on these themes as a basis and continues on more idea's.

Furthermore CIEA remains active on it's plenned projects as indicated in our previous annual report for 2008 and beyond.

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