

# Aviation Forum Austria 2026

Future.Technology.Cooperation – Innovating Beyond Borders

Conference Day

Date: March 18, 2026, 09:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Location: WKO, Wiedner Hauptstraße 63, 1040 Vienna

Moderation: Cornelia Ertl

09.00 a.m. Registration & Welcome Coffee

## Opening

### 09.30 a.m. Welcome Remarks

- Peter Hanke, Minister for Innovation, Mobility and Infrastructure (BMIMI)
- Reinhard Marak, AICAT/WKO

## Session: Future of Aviation

### 9.45 a.m. Shaping the Future of Aviation by Disruptive R&T

Jean François Barrant, Head Of Start-Up engagement,  
Airbus Commercial Engineering and Central Innovation Team

### 10.15 a.m. Panel Discussion: Shaping the Future of Aviation by Disruptive R&T

- Jean François Barrant, Airbus
- Hanns Amri, Advanced Drivetrain Technologies
- Rene Adam, FACC
- András Gálffy, Turbulence Solutions
- Doris Matschegg, BEST - Bioenergy and Sustainable Technologies mbH

### 11.00 a.m. R&T Gallery Walks

1. MOeBIUS.H - Fabrice Giuliani, Daniel Kofler, Combustion Bay One
2. Material-Oriented Modeling and Validation Across the Aerospace Manufacturing Chain—from Primary Forming to Machining - Drazen Brescakovic und Johannes Neumüller, Materials Center Leoben (MCL)
3. Manage the Weather - Markus Kerschbaum, Austro Control, Meteorologie - Birgit Reinhofer-Mitterer, Austro Control, Innovation Center
4. AF Airlab - Peter Hofmann, TU Wien, Alexander Hauthaler, Diamond Aircraft



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### 12.00 p.m. Lunch Break & Networking

### 1:25 p.m. Welcome Remarks by Host

Wolfgang Hesoun, Vice President Austrian Federal Economic Chamber (WKO)

## Session: International Cooperation in Aviation

### 1.30 p.m. Strategy, Vision & Common Roadmaps

Andreas Boschen, Executive Director SESAR 3 JU

### 1.50 p.m. Panel Discussion: International Governmental and Industrial Cooperation

- Andreas Boschen, SESAR 3 JU
- Volker Fuchs, Test Fuchs GmbH
- Christoph Götze, Frequentis
- Karin Tausz, FFG
- Joao Taborda, EMBRAER

### 2.45 p.m. Industrial Cooperation – Overview

Sylvia Vana, BMWET

### 3.00 p.m. Coffee break & Networking

## Session: RTD Infrastructure

### 3.30 p.m. From Research to Market: The Strategic Role of Standards

Mark Watson, Technical Programme Manager, EUROCAE

### 3:50 p.m. Examples of National and International Infrastructures

- Up Lift, Adrian Klassen, DLR PT-LF
- Liquid Hydrogen Lab, Nejc Klopčič, HyCentA Research GmbH
- BioSAF-Pilot, Markus Lehner, Montanuniversität Leoben
- Airport user perspective, Thomas Dworschak, Vienna Airport
- Fly Net Zero 2050 – Infrastructure as a means to an end, Rafael Schwartzman, IATA

### 5.00 p.m. Networking Cocktail

### 6.00 p.m. End

