



# IATA & Airport Networks

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# Examples of networks

- Airports
- Air navigation services
- Air navigation service providers (ANSPs) and airports
- Airports/ANSPs and other modes of transport

## Does IATA support airport networks?

- Networks can bring operational and passenger benefits, BUT this cannot flow through to how these networks are funded
- IATA does NOT support any cross subsidies as result of airport networks
- Our starting position is that airlines and their passengers should not have to pay for facilities and services they do not use

## What does this policy mean in practice?

- We don't support higher charges at an airport used to fund facilities and services or artificially lower the charges at another airport (through airport networks and/or systems) mean that airlines using a given airport are subsidizing traffic to/from other airports.
- We don't support higher charges for facilities and services for international traffic than those for the same facilities and services provided to domestic traffic.

## Why don't we support cross subsidies?

- Charges that include cross-subsidies are not cost-related which is contrary to ICAO's policies.
- Cross-subsidies distort competition, as one group of airline users is subsidizing another group of airlines
- airlines are paying for facilities and services they do not need, do not use, and from which they do not benefit
- Charges should be airport specific: this is the only way to establish a sound cost base for charges and maintain the link between costs and the price paid.