

**AIRPORT LAW CONFERENCE & AGM  
WALA XII – PUNTA CANA  
April 27-29, 2022  
The Westin Puntacana Resort & Club**

*Pandemic, Technology 4.0 and Climate Change: rethinking the airports  
of the new normal*

Day 1, Wednesday 27 April

18:00 - 20:00 Welcome Cocktail on Playa Blanca restaurant,  
next to the Westin Puntacana Resort & Club –  
Meeting Point: Hotel Lobby  
Walking time: 7 minutes (buses available)  
All delegates

Day 2, Thursday 28 April

Westin Puntacana Resort & Club - Salon Yauya

8:00 Registration opens at Conference Center

**9:00 -9.45 Welcome Session**

Mr. Frank Elías Rainieri, CEO & President, Grupo Puntacana  
Diego R. Gonzalez, President, WALA  
Yudith Castillo, Legal Director, Grupo Puntacana

**Conference Introduction**

Elizabeth Albergoni, HRL Morrison & Co Investment  
Director / WALA Executive Board member

**9.45 -10.30 Main Conference**

*The aviation agenda of 2022. Environmental challenges,  
and beyond.* Pablo Mendes de Leon, Professor of Air and  
Space Law

10:30--11.00 Coffee Break  
at salon Yauya's foyer  
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**11.00 Session #1: Pandemic and Emergency. State of the Industry.**

*USA Airports: Legal Lessons from the Pandemic and  
Emergency Preparedness.* Peter Kirsch, Partner, Kaplan  
Kirsch & Rockwell LLP

*Brazil. Airport slots. Recent policy and regulation.* Gustavo  
Albuquerque, Procurador-Geral, ANAC - Rafael Botelho,  
Superintendente de Servicios Aéreos, ANAC

**12.00 Session #2. Dominican Republic Civil Aviation**

*Dominican Experience of Airport Infrastructures: Public and  
Private.* Rafael Dickson Morales, Founding Partner, DMAC

**Panel:**

Bernarda Franco, Directora Legal, IDAC  
Leandro Santana, Dirección Jurídica, Departamento  
Aeroportuario  
Paola Pla Puello, Secretaria, Junta de Aviación Civil

12:45 -14:15 Lunch at Brassa Grill & Bar restaurant,  
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**14.15 Session #3. Airport Concessions**

Moderator: Ana Candida de Mello Carvalho, BMA  
Advogados

*Concession Early Termination. The recent experience of  
settlement between Granting Authorities and Operators in  
Brazil,* Eduardo Carvalhaes, Partner, Lefosse Advogados

*National Strategy and Airport Regulation: The Dominican  
case,* Angelica Noboa, Partner, Russin, Vecchi & Heredia  
Bonetti

**15.15 Session #4 - Airport Charges**

*Challenging the conventional wisdom,* Patrick Lucas, Vice  
President, Economics - ACI World

*Australia: Fair and Reasonable Airport Charges. The Recent  
Decision of the Supreme Court "Perth Airport v. Qantas  
Airways".* Elizabeth Albergoni, WALA Executive Board  
Member

**16.30 Session #5 – Airport and Public Health**

*Traveler Card: Secure Health Record.* Tatiana Arima Cohen  
Zaide, Legal Director, SITA - Camilo Cardenas, Americas Sr.  
Business Development, SITA

**17:00 Closing Remarks & Misc**

Elizabeth Albergoni, WALA Executive Board Member

*Airport 4.0. How Private 5G Is a Key Enabler.* Alfredo González Herrero, Transportation Latin América, NOKIA  
*Seamless Travel Experience. Benefits and challenges of digital ID.* Jose de Jesus Pimentel Cortes, HUAWEI

Coffee time at salon Yauya's foyer

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19:30 -21:30 Dinner and Entertainment at the Hotel beach side.

(only for delegates that purchased this option)

11:00 -11:15 Coffee Break

at salon Yauya's Foyer sponsored by



**Day 3, Friday 29 April**

**Westin Puntacana Resort & Club - Salon Yauya**

8:30 Registration opens at Conference Center

9:00 **Keynote speech:** Mr. Frank Rainieri, Chairman of the Board & Founder, Grupo Puntacana

**Introductory Remarks**

Michael Siebold, Arnecke Sibeth Dabelstein Senior Partner/  
WALA Executive Board Member

**Session #6 - Pandemic, Privatization and Insolvencies**

*The changing relationships and dynamics between airlines and airports,* Laura Pierallini, Name Partner, Studio Pierallini.

**9.30 Session #7 - Caribbean Airport Law**

*The importance of fostering airport law*

Yudith Castillo, Legal Director, Grupo Puntacana

Roangelo Lodewijks, Legal Counsel, Curacao Airport Holding

**10.00 Session # 8 – Airports Operations & Technology: Success Stories. Legal & Regulatory Challenges.**

Moderator: Mark Gallagher, Pangiam

*Dominican Republic Pre-Clearance facilities. Law, Tourism and Security.* Cristobal Rodriguez.

**11.15 Session #9 - The Challenge of Training in Air Law and Airport Law**

*Interview by* Diego R. Gonzalez

Pablo Mendes de Leon, Professor of Air and Space Law | Peter Kirsch, Partner, Kaplan Kirsch & Rockwell LLP | Olga Lucia Ramirez, Infrastructure Vice Minister, Colombia

**12.00 Session #10 – Advanced Air Mobility (AAM). Legal and Regulatory Challenges**

*EVTOL/ATM-UTM:* Robert Keele, General Counsel, Airbus Silicon Valley (Acubed)

*Vertiports,* Diego Gonzalez, Manager, Aeropuertos Argentina 2000

**12.45 Closing Session – Air Journey of the Future**

*Elevation to the next level,* Sebastian Pinchinatti, Business Development Director, AMADEUS

**13.30 – Closing Lunch**

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