



# 2017 SGR ANNUAL AVIATION SUMMIT

**OCTOBER 12, 2017** 

SPENCER HOTEL Excise Walk, IFSC, Dublin 1, Ireland





1000h - 1015h Registration

# 1015h - 1030h Welcome and Opening Remarks



Peter B. Barlow Smith, Gambrell & Russell, LLP Austin, Texas United States

1035h - 1130h OEM After-Market Support Programs for Engines: Transitioning From One Fleet to Another

Original equipment manufacturer (OEM) supported flight hour agreements for engines (FHAs) have become increasingly popular with airlines, particularly for engines powering twin-aisle aircraft. But what happens when the aircraft transitions off lease or to another operator? Our panel will explore these issues. We will discuss Rolls-Royce's recently launched LessorCare® program aimed at lessor-owners seeking engine support between leases or as their aircraft transition to retirement. We'll also explore issues facing airlines, lessors, lenders and OEMs/maintenance organizations as aircraft engines are entered into and transitioned out of OEM FHA programs.

#### **Moderator:**



Donald B. Mitchell Smith, Gambrell & Russell, LLP Atlanta, Georgia United States

#### Panelists:



Alastair Knox Rolls-Royce plc Derby, United Kingdom



Michael Moore Shannon Engine Support Shannon, Ireland

1135h - 1145h Networking Break and the UAE



# 1150h - 1245h Benefits of an Irish-Base for Aviation Businesses: A Comparative Study to Hong Kong, Singapore

Within the last ten years, Ireland has unquestionably become the epicenter of aircraft leasing around the globe. Our panel will explore exactly how that happened and what Ireland is doing to maintain that standing. Singapore and the UAE have often been touted as being friendly countries to head quarter your aircraft leasing business and Hong Kong has been in the news for passing legislation specifically to attract leasing company business. Ireland has its work cut out for it in order to maintain its status, but as the panel will explain, the country is prepared to meet the challenge.

#### Moderator:



Peter B. Barlow Smith, Gambrell & Russell, LLP Austin, Texas United States

#### Panelists:



Brian Leonard PwC Dublin, Ireland



Marie O'Brien A&L Goodbody Dublin, Ireland



Ciara McLoughlin A&L Goodbody Dublin, Ireland

# 1250h - 1430h Lunch & Keynote Speaker

#### Introduction:



Ben Graham-Evans Smith, Gambrell & Russell, LLP London/Southampton, United Kingdom

### **Keynote Address:**



Fred Browne Chief Executive Officer of Aergo Capital Limited

Fred founded Aergo and has served as its Chief Executive Officer since opening their doors in 1999. During the past 18 years, Fred has led the company through several phases of growth. He will describe that journey and tell the story of Aergo's transition from an aircraft trading company to the current business of leasing to airlines.

# 1430h - 1525h Impactful Aviation Cases across the Globe

Well-regarded aviation dispute lawyers from Ireland, the United Kingdom and the United States will lead a practical discussion about recent aviation legal actions across the globe. These practitioners will set forth real-world considerations for transaction teams while also comparing and contrasting the impact of these actions if brought in their respective countries.



#### **Moderator:**



John G. McCarthy Smith, Gambrell & Russell, LLP New York, New York United States

#### Moderator:



Marc D. Latman Smith, Gambrell & Russell, LLP New York, New York United States

## Panelists:



Colin D. Delaney Smith, Gambrell & Russell, LLP Atlanta, Georgia United States

**Panelists:** 



Mark Esdaile Sompo International London, United Kingdom



Kathyrn Insall Trowers & Hamlins, LLP London, United Kingdom



Leslie Kurshan Marsh London, United Kingdom



Eileen Roberts A&L Goodbody Dublin, Ireland



Oliver Geldner Intrepid Aviation Managment Dublin, Ireland

1530h - 1625h
New Financing Source: Marsh's Aircraft Finance
Insurance Consortium (AFIC) and its nonpayment insurance product for airlines and
operating lessors

With airlines and operating lessors still in need of export credit agency (ECA) financing, but the ECAs currently unable to provide that full support, Marsh's AFIC financing product has emerged at a time of need. Our panel will provide their practical experiences with the AFIC product from conception to closing and discuss how product and transactions supported by it differ from traditional ECA financing.



1630h - 1650h **Networking Break with Tea Service** 

# 1655h - 1750h **BREXIT and Aviation: The impact on Irish Aviation** Community and on Air Travel in the UK

A focused discussion on the implications of BREXIT to both the Irish aviation community and air travel between the UK and EU countries. The dialogue will include steps UK-based companies and professional services firms are taking to position themselves in Ireland in order to maintain uninterrupted and unrestrained access to EU markets. There will be commentary and insight on the position and role of London as a continuing global financial market in a likely post-Brexit landscape. The panel will also address the recent trend of UK-based airlines seeking aircraft operating certificates from EU countries, and whether that is expected to continue.



Jane Pilkington Mason, Hayes & Curran Dublin, Ireland



Yvonne Thompson **PwC** Dublin, Ireland



John Turnbull Trowers & Hamlins, LLP London, United Kingdom



Moderator:

Mark Turnbull Smith, Gambrell & Russell, LLP London/Southampton, **United Kingdom** 



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1750h - 1800h **Closing Remarks** 



Peter B. Barlow Smith, Gambrell & Russell, LLP Austin, Texas **United States** 



# 1830h - 2100h Canapés & Cocktails Reception Rooftop of Bord Gáis Energy Theatre



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