



SEMINAR PROGRAMME

WEDNESDAY 20TH MAY 2026

MORNING SESSION

Time	Topic	Presenter/comments
08:00-09:00	REGISTRATION	
09:00-09:10	Opening Address	Nuno Aghdassi, Chairman, ESASI
09:10-09:30	Welcome address	Alana Vukić Director, Air, Maritime and Railway Traffic Accident Investigation Agency, Croatia
09:30-10:00	When Altitude Lies: The Hidden Dangers of Air Data systems discrepancy	Alexandre Certain, Safety Investigator, BEA, France
10:00-10:30	Issues identified in the activity of small aircraft (ULM-Ultra Light Motorized) during AIAS investigations	Sorin DUNĂ, Head of Safety Investigation Division, Romanian Safety Investigation Authority
10:30-11:00	COFFEE	
11:00-11:30	Investigation of an A321 Bird Strike Event	Stephane Cote, Accident Investigator, Airbus, France
11:30-12:00	Enhancement of the accident and incident investigation system in the ICAO WACAF (Western & Central African) Region	Jean Verseau Rafils, Regional Officer, Flight Safety - AIG ICAO, Senegal
12:00-13:30	LUNCH	



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AFTERNOON SESSION

Time	Topic	Presenter/comments
13:30-14:00	Human Factors Investigations in Military Aviation Accidents	Imogen Jenner, Head of Aviation Psychology and Human Factors, Dan Atkins (Aviation Psychologist), Rishikaa Ravi (Ergonomist) Royal Air Force - Centre of Aerospace Medicine (RAF CAM), UK
14:00-14:30	Crossing the Pond - the risk of incorrectly setting altimeter subscale. Level Bust and CFIT Prevention when making landfall in Ireland.	Captain Martin Timmons, Head of Safety Management, AirNav, Ireland
14:30-15:00	The Forgotten Human in Unmanned Aviation	Nigel Breyley, UAS Instructor, SCSI, USA
15:00-15:30	COFFEE	
15:30-16:00	B777 tailstrike on take-off at MXP: how can a small mistake lead to big consequences?	Captain Guilio Rosati, Air Safety Investigator, ANSV Italy
16:00-16:40	ESASI AGM	ESASI Committee

EVENING:

Buses leave the hotel at 18:30 for the seminar dinner returning to the hotel at 22:00



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THURSDAY 21ST MAY 2026

Time	Topic	Presenter/comments
08:30-09:00	ARRIVAL	
09:00-09:30	Independent Accident Investigations as a Counterweight to Misinformation	Kristina Börjevik Kovaniemi, Deputy Director General, Peter Swaffer, Head of Department, SHK, Sweden
09:30-10:00	French State Air Safety Investigation Bureau : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - General presentation and 2025 main activities - Future studies : alternative propulsion and energy impact on investigations - F35 in Europe : Safety investigation challenges 	General Jean-Paul Besse, Director of State Aviation Safety Investigation Bureau BEA-É, France
10:00-10:30	COFFEE	
10:30-11:00	Go-Around Decision After Thrust Reversers Selection	Captain Bertrand de Courville, Senior Advisor to Gallagher Insurance UK, Bertrand de Courville Consulting, France
11:00-11:30	The increasing role of maintenance actions as contributing factors in severe and fatal accidents.	Stefan Emmerling, Accident and Flight Safety Investigator, Airbus Helicopters, Germany
11:30-12:00	Closing Comments	Nuno Aghdassi, Chairman, ESASI



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