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DRAFT AGENDA

Monday, 7 December 2026

12:00 - 19:30: WELCOME CEREMONY AND SITE VISITS

WELCOME CEREMONY

College Rd, University College, Cork, Ireland

12:00 - 13:00: Light networking lunch

13:00 - 13:15: Speeches

13:15 - 13:30: Boarding of buses

13:30: Departure for site visits

SITE-VISITS TO LOCAL SESAR PARTNERS

13:30 - 17:30: Site visits to local SESAR partners

17:30 - 18:00: Transfer to AFTA

NETWORKING DRINKS: AFTA

Atlantic Flight Training Academy, Ballygarvan Upper, Kinsale Road, Co. Cork, Ireland, T12 CX7H

18:00 - 18:30: Welcome drinks

18:30 - 18:45 Speeches

18:45 - 19:30: Networking drinks

19:30: END - return buses to Cork city centre

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Tuesday, 8 December 2026

08:00 - 09:00: REGISTRATION AND WELCOME COFFEE

09:00 - 09:10: WELCOME REMARKS

- **Andreas Boschen**, Executive Director, SESAR Joint Undertaking

09:10 - 09:40: OPENING REMARKS

- **Jerry Buttimer**, Minister of State at the Department of Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht and at the Department of Transport
- **Cynthia Ní Mhurchú**, Member of the European Parliament
- **Flor Díaz Pulido**, Head of Unit, Single European Sky, European Commission

09:50 - 10:00: PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

- **Olivia Nunez**, Head of Technology and Master Planning, SESAR Joint Undertaking
- **Dirk Schaefer**, SIDs Programme Chair

10:00 - 10:15: COMFORT BREAK

10:15 - 12:00: TECHNICAL PAPER SESSIONS

12:00 - 13:30: LUNCH

13:30 - 14:45: TECHNICAL PAPER SESSIONS

14:45 - 15:30: COFFEE BREAK

15:30 -15:45: KEYNOTE - Airports at the heart of aviation transformation: Delivering connectivity, resilience and growth

- **Niall MacCarthy**, CEO, Cork Airport

15:45 - 16:45: PLENARY SESSION 1 - Integrating the next generation of aircraft

- **Wassim Derguech,** Chief Operating Officer, Future Mobility Ireland
- **Marco Pelligrino**, Head of Transformation & Governance, Rome Airport
- **Sara Bagassi**, Associate Professor, University of Bologna
- **Markus Fischer**, Divisional Board member for Aeronautics, DLR
- **Andres Van Swalm**, CEO and Co-Founder, Unifly

Moderated by Olivia Nunez, Head of Technology and Master Planning, SESAR Joint Undertaking

16:45 - 17:30: SESAR YOUNG SCIENTIST AWARD CEREMONY

17:30 - 18:30: NETWORKING COCKTAIL

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Wednesday, 9 December 2026

09:00 - 09:05: WELCOME

- **Andreas Boschen**, Executive Director, SESAR Joint Undertaking

09:05 - 09:25: FIRESIDE CHAT

- **Eamonn Brennan**, Aviation Executive

Moderated by Triona Keaveney, Senior Communications Officer, SESAR Joint Undertaking

09:25 - 09:35: KEYNOTE - From automation to autonomy: building the future aviation ecosystem

- **Robert Frank,** Executive Director, Collins Aerospace, Research & Technology

09:35 - 10:35: PLENARY SESSION 2 - Trusted automation and AI: The future of human – machine teaming in ATM

- **Robert Frank,** Executive Director, Collins Aerospace, Research & Technology
- **Ramon Dalmau-Codina,** Data Science Specialist, EUROCONTROL
- **Raphaël Eyrolle,** Head of ATM-CNS, Air France (TBC)
- **Helena Sjöström Falk**, President and CEO, IFATCA
- **Guillaume Soudain,** Programme Manager, Artificial Intelligence, EASA

Moderated by Riccardo Massacci, Programme Manager, SESAR Joint Undertaking

10:35 - 11:05: ARTISTIC INTERLUDE

11:05 - 11:45: COFFEE BREAK AND EXHIBITION

11:45 - 13:00: TECHNICAL PAPER SESSIONS

13:00 - 14:15: LUNCH

14:15 - 15:45: TECHNICAL PAPER SESSIONS

15:45 - 16:00: COMFORT BREAK

16:00 - 17:45: TECHNICAL PAPER SESSIONS

18:30 - 23:00: NETWORKING EVENT - Midleton Distillery

Join us for an evening of networking at the historic Jameson Midleton Distillery.

Registration required: Places are limited and a participant contribution is required to secure your place. Advance registration is therefore essential.

Transport: Buses will **depart from UCC at 18:00**. Return buses will **depart from Midleton Distillery from 22:30,** with the final departure by 23:00. All buses will return to UCC.

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Thursday, 10 December 2026

09:00 - 10:30: TECHNICAL PAPER SESSIONS

10:30 - 11:15: COFFEE BREAK AND EXHIBITION

11:15 - 13:00: TECHNICAL PAPER SESSIONS

13:00 - 14:15: LUNCH

14:15 - 15:15: PLENARY SESSION 3: Satellite, aircraft and ground infrastructure integration for increased resilience and strategic autonomy

- **Christophe Allemand**, Strategic Programme Manager - Space Systems for Safety and Security, ESA
- **Juanjo Cornejo**, Director of Business Development - International Relations, Startical
- **Marc Dufourmantelle**, VP Strategy, Innovation and Public Relations – Air Mobility Solutions, Thales
- **Colm Purcell**, Deputy Chief Pilot Line Operations, Ryanair
- **Carole Martin**, Head of ATM, Airbus

Moderated by Ruben Flohr, Technology & Strategy Officer, SESAR Joint Undertaking

15:15 - 15:30: CLOSING CEREMONY

- **Andrea Gentili,** Deputy Head of Unit for Clean Transport Transitions at DG RTD, European Commission
- **Andreas Boschen,** Executive Director, SESAR Joint Undertaking

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