



The impact of the EU-US Open Sky Agreement Airneth workshop

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Bilderberg Europa Hotel, The Hague

Chair: Hans de Jong
**Counselor for Transportation, Royal Netherlands Embassy,
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Program

- 10.00 h. **Welcome with coffee and tea**
- 10.30 h. **Opening**
Opening by the academic coordinator of Airneth
Guillaume Burghouwt, Airneth (5 min.)
- Opening by the chairman
Hans de Jong (10 min.)
- 10.45 h. **Network and market structure (part 1)**
"The impact of EU-US 'Open Skies' agreement on airline market structures and airline networks"
Kenneth J. Button, George Mason University (25 min.)
- Referee: Tim Figures, UK Department for Transport (10 minutes)*
- Q&A: 5 minutes*
- 11.25 h. **Coffee break**
- 11.40 h. **Network and market structure (part 2)**
"Network competition in the open aviation area"
Eric Pels, Free University Amsterdam (25 min.)



Referee: Martin Thelle, Copenhagen Economics (10 minutes)
Q&A: 5 minutes

12.20 h.

Airport capacity

“The potential impacts of the EU-US Open Sky Agreement: what will happen at Heathrow in spring 2008”

Barry Humphreys, Virgin Atlantic
Peter Morrell, Cranfield University (25 min.)

Referee: Klaas Pel, European Commission (10 minutes)
Q&A: 5 minutes

13.00 h.

Lunch

14.00 h.

The environment

“The impact of the EU-US Open Skies Agreement on international travel and carbon dioxide emissions”

Karen Mayor, Economic and Social Research Institute (ESRI) Ireland
Richard Tol, Free University Amsterdam (25 min.)

Referee: Hugo Gordijn, Netherlands Environmental Assessment Agency (10 minutes)
Q&A 5 minutes

14.40

Regulation and competition policy

“Establishment of air transport undertakings – Towards a more holistic approach”

Pablo Mendes de Leon, Leiden University (25 min.)

Referee: Jeroen Mauritz, Dutch Ministry of Transport (10 minutes)
Q&A: 5 minutes

15.20 h.

Coffee break



15.40 h.

Safety and air traffic management

“The EU-US Open Skies Agreement and its impact on air traffic management”

Glen McDougall, George Mason University/ MBS Ottawa (25 min.)

*Referee: Robin Valkenburcht, Dutch Ministry of Transport
(10 minutes)*

Q&A: 5 minutes

16.20 h.

Wrap-up and closing by the chairman

Hans de Jong

16.40 h.

Drinks