The Future of Regional Airports: challenges and opportunities
The European Green Deal calls for a 90% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions from transport by 2050, to help the EU become the first climate neutral continent.

To this end, the Commission announced a Strategy for Sustainable and Smart Mobility to be adopted in 2020.

In the meantime, transport was amongst the sectors hardest hit by the Coronavirus pandemic.

It has shown that we need to continue to work on the future of our European transport system so that it can quickly recover from the severe impact of this crisis.

We need to set out much needed reforms, policies and actions to support the sector.
The Strategy

Our vision for the future of European transport and mobility

KEY ELEMENTS

• **Three objectives:** making the European transport system more sustainable, smart and resilient
• 10 flagship areas with key milestones
• **Action plan** with a list of concrete policy actions
• Comprehensive **Staff Working Document**
AN IRREVERSIBLE SHIFT TO ZERO-EMISSION MOBILITY

- Making all transport modes more sustainable,
- Making sustainable alternatives widely available in a multimodal transport system,
- Putting in place the right incentives to drive the transition.
FLAGSHIP AREAS

• **FLAGSHIP 1 - Boosting uptake of zero-emission vehicles, renewable & low-carbon fuels and related infrastructure**
  - Revision of the Alternative Fuels Infrastructure Directive

• **FLAGSHIP 2 - Creating zero-emission airports and ports**
  - ReFuelEU – Sustainable Aviation Fuels
  - Revisions: Airport Slots Regulation and Airport Charges Directive
  - Taxonomy criteria

• **FLAGSHIP 3 - Making interurban and urban mobility more sustainable and healthy**
  - Revision of air quality standards and reduction of noise pollution

• **FLAGSHIP 4 - Greening freight transport**

• **FLAGSHIP 5 - Pricing carbon and providing better incentives for users**
SMART MOBILITY - ACHIEVING SEAMLESS, SAFE AND EFFICIENT CONNECTIVITY

- Offering a seamless multimodal experience
- Supporting sustainable choices by taking advantage of digitalization & automation
- Shaping the mobility of the future
- Ensuring the right framework and enablers are in place
FLAGSHIP AREAS

- **FLAGSHIP 6 - MAKING CONNECTED AND AUTOMATED MULTIMODAL MOBILITY A REALITY**
- **FLAGSHIP 7 - INNOVATION, DATA AND AI FOR SMART MOBILITY**
A MORE RESILIENT SINGLE EUROPEAN TRANSPORT AREA: FOR INCLUSIVE CONNECTIVITY

• Reinforcing the Single Market
• Helping the sector build back better from the crisis & become more resilient
• Increasing investments, both public and private, in infrastructure and fleets
**FLAGSHIP AREAS**

- **FLAGSHIP 8 – REINFORCING THE SINGLE MARKET**
  - Revision of TEN-T Regulation
  - Assessing the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on connectivity and competition in the market and propose follow-up measures as appropriate
  - Revise relevant transport state aid rules
  - Prepare crisis contingency plan(s) for the transport sector, including health-safety and operational measures and setting out essential transport services
  - Revision of the Air Services Regulation
  - Guidance on climate proofing of transport infrastructure, networks and systems

- **FLAGSHIP 9 - MAKING MOBILITY FAIR AND JUST FOR ALL**
  - Revise rules on air PSOs

- **FLAGSHIP 10 - ENHANCING TRANSPORT SAFETY AND SECURITY**
Through the implementation of this strategy, we will create an irreversible shift to zero-emission mobility while making our transport system more efficient and resilient.

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THANK YOU!