



International Federation of  
Airworthiness



**Annual Report**  
**June 2016 - July 2017**

UK Charity No: 296354

## **Vision**

The most respected internationally, independent authority on the subject of Airworthiness.

IFA uniquely combines together all those with responsibility for policies, principles and practices concerned with the continuing airworthiness of civil transport aircraft throughout the world.

## **International**

IFA is truly international:

Although headquartered in the UK, IFA serves members globally.

Vice Presidents for the Africa, Americas, Asia, Australasia and Middle East.

Conferences and Workshops held in different locations around the world.



**Promoting Airworthiness.  
International.  
Impartial.**

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# President's Report

Frank Turner  
IFA President

This year has been one of consolidation of our new organisation, focussing on the needs of our membership and promoting the federation more widely. Additionally, as this has been a year without an international conference, we have been able to recover financially from the previous year's expenditure on two international conferences.

Sadly our Patron Joe Sutter the Designer and Project Director of the Boeing 747 passed away and will be sadly missed not just by IFA but the whole aircraft industry.

After 21 years of exceptional service, John Saull has stood down as IFA Executive Director. We are all thankful for John's outstanding contribution to the community over many years. We will keep in contact but offer him our best wishes and good health for the future.

Following our reorganisation which I referred to in the last years report, we have been fortunate to secure the services of John Vincent as our new Chief Executive Officer.

John has both industry and regulatory experience. Prior to joining the IFA Board, he helped to establish EASA from a new start-up Agency to one that now has a global foot print and capability in all aviation sectors. He brings much energy, experience and enthusiasm to the IFA Board.

In this increasingly unstable international environment, at a time of considerable technical change and budget constraints, it is vital that the IFA message of the importance of managing continued improvements in airworthiness is understood, from the top of an organisation to the new entrant.

Therefore, during the year we have revised our approach to sponsorship, membership and awards. This is now contained in a single brochure, the aim of which is to attract more sponsors and members in all categories.

Rus Sutaria has also been appointed VP Business Development in addition to his previous responsibilities for the Awards Committee.

We are at the final stages of planning our international conference and this is to be held in Hong Kong in conjunction with Hong Kong CAD, HAECO and Cathay Pacific. This conference will take place on 14th and 15th of November 2017.



# Trust Fund Report

Trustee membership remained the same during the year. Although no formal meetings of the Trustees were held they attend the IFA Board meetings as Non Executive Directors.

The Trust Fund is invested in the Barclays Charity R Distribution Fund. The value on 30th June 2017 was £137,688 compared to £118,319 a year earlier. The increase reflects market growth during the year.

Registered Office -

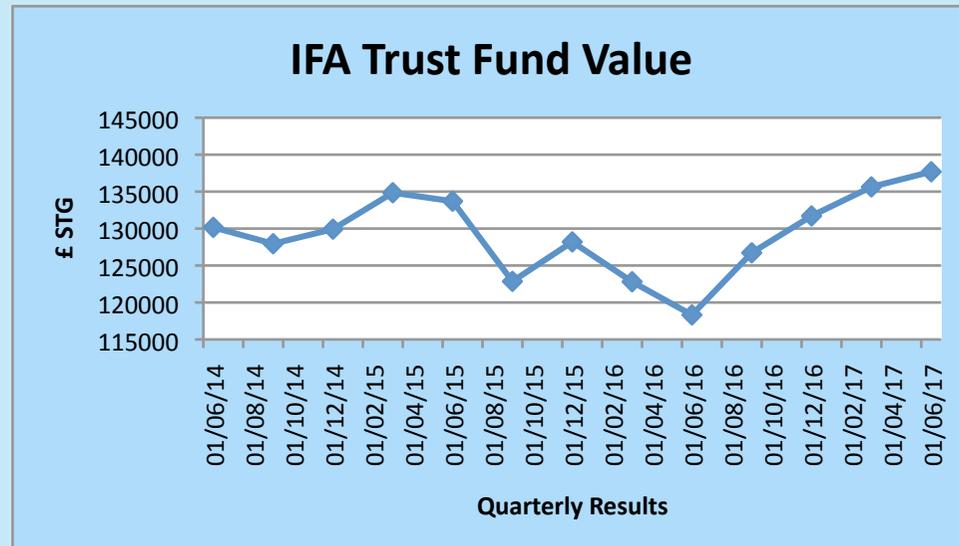
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UK Charity No: 296354



# Chief Executive Officer's Report

1st July 2016 - 31st December 2016

I am writing this report to cover the first part of the year as our executive Director John Saull for 21 years had an accident at home which resulted in him not being able to contribute to the activities of IFA during this period.

Subsequently, John although making a full recovery took the opportunity to retire. We thank John for his outstanding contribution to IFA and his pioneering work in bringing the subject of continuing airworthiness to the forefront of aviation safety.

John has been replaced by John Vincent ex EASA as CEO of IFA and will cover the period for which he has been at the helm.

The major activities of 2016 were the settling in of the new IFA Board and constitution, together with the very successful Conference held in Dubai, in conjunction with Emirates and The General Civil Aviation Authority, which will be described in more detail in our report.

At this conference we presented Sir Tim Clark President of Emirates Airline with the Sir Frank Whittle award for his leadership and contribution to aviation safety worldwide.

Frank Turner,  
President and Chairman IFA.



John Saull, Ian Whittle  
(Sir Frank Whittle's son)

## 1st January 2017 - 30th June 2017

Much credit to my predecessor, I've stepped into this role with the International Federation of Airworthiness (IFA) in good health. The Federation has a long and impressive history as aviation has become indispensable in modern life. Being a voluntary organisation gives us flexibility and we are grateful for the good will that our partners continue to demonstrate.

I bring both an industry and a regulators perspective with me. I cherish the independence of IFA. I value the contribution that IFA can make to sustaining and developing airworthiness across the globe.

Our achievements in the last six months have been to renew connection with the membership and take soundings as to the way forward. A new sponsorship brochure has been published.

Our shortfall is the limitations of a small team stretching resources far to make an impact. I assure you that IFA is aware of the need to find new ways of working to make the most of our unique position.

The next year:

We have two key priorities for the months ahead.

First, we want to continue to grow our membership and ensure we meet their expectations. Doing the things we do well; working in technical committees, focused conferences, student sponsorship and recognising the achievers in international airworthiness.

Secondly, digitalisation has changed the way people receive and read information. IFA must address this development by improvements to its web presence. This will mean a better use of social media and professional groups to share information.

Long-term:

In the long-term, we want to build on IFA's strong reputation. We are in a growing business where technology moves at a rapid pace. We must be ever aware and constantly champion the importance of airworthiness.

We're incredibly excited about this year and the opportunities ahead of us. I'd like to thank the IFA team, our members, and the wider airworthiness community who all have helped us get this far. Here's to the next 12 months.

John Vincent  
IFA CEO

Our gracious thanks to our supporters and sponsors for their continued assistance during the year.



# Auditor's Report

## Independent examiner's report to the Trustees

I report on the financial statements of International Federation of Airworthiness for the year ended 30 June 2017, which are set out on the following two pages.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the financial statements under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

## Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not give an opinion as to whether the financial statements present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

## Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
  - to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

Richard Dean FCA

Tax4TodayAccountant, 41 High Street East Grinstead West Sussex

3 August 2017

# Financial Report

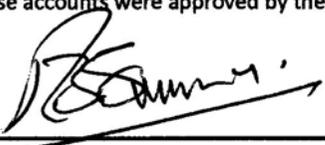
## Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 30th June 2017

### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2017

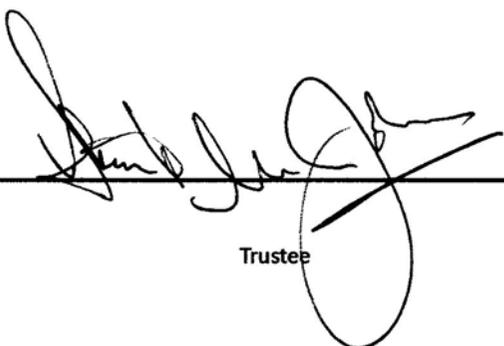
	£	2017 £	£	2016 £
<b>Fixed Assets: Listed investments</b>				
Valuation at start of year		116,459		133,701
Additions		4,569		119,999
Disposals		-		(120,310)
Gain/(loss) on revaluation		<u>15,145</u>		<u>(16,931)</u>
Valuation at close of year		136,173		116,459
Investment funds held on deposit		<u>1,515</u>		<u>1,860</u>
		<u>137,688</u>		<u>118,319</u>
<b>Current assets</b>				
Subscriptions outstanding	1,987		2,532	
Other debtors	744		789	
Bank balances	<u>42,552</u>		<u>35,043</u>	
	45,283		38,364	
<b>Creditors falling due within one year</b>				
Accrued charges	(750)		(750)	
<b>Net current assets</b>		<u>44,533</u>		<u>37,614</u>
<b>Net assets</b>		<u>182,221</u>		<u>155,933</u>
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund				
At start of the year	37,614		11,390	
Net movement in funds	<u>6,919</u>		<u>26,224</u>	
At close of the year		44,533		37,614
Trust fund				
At start of the year	118,319		133,701	
Net movement in funds	<u>19,369</u>		<u>(15,382)</u>	
At close of the year		<u>137,688</u>		<u>118,319</u>
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<u>182,221</u>		<u>155,933</u>

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008).

These accounts were approved by the Trustees on



Trustee



Trustee

	Note	Unrestricted General Fund £	Unrestricted Trust Fund £	2017 Total £	2016 Total £
<b>Incoming resources</b>					
Subscriptions		12,584		12,584	13,259
Sponsorship	2	20,000		20,000	40,000
DVD sales		36		36	54
Donations		-		-	2,219
Investment income	3	3	4,613	4,616	1,548
		<u>32,623</u>	<u>4,613</u>	<u>37,236</u>	<u>57,080</u>
<b>Resources expended</b>					
<b>Charitable activities</b>					
Scholarships and awards		2,430		2,430	881
Technical committees, forums and conferences		4,044		4,044	16,765
Magazine and website		1,927		1,927	2,703
Foreign exchange losses/(gains)		(284)		(284)	-
		<u>8,117</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,117</u>	<u>20,349</u>
<b>Support costs</b>					
Management expenses	4	1,389		1,389	541
Administration expenses		16,074		16,074	16,047
Bad debts		-		-	1,475
Bank charges		124	389	513	296
		<u>17,587</u>	<u>389</u>	<u>17,976</u>	<u>18,359</u>
<b>Total resources expended</b>		<u>25,704</u>	<u>389</u>	<u>26,093</u>	<u>38,708</u>
<b>Net incoming resources before gains and losses on revaluations and disposals</b>					
		6,919	4,224	11,143	18,372
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Gains and losses on revaluations and disposals		-	15,145	15,145	(7,530)
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<u>6,919</u>	<u>19,369</u>	<u>26,288</u>	<u>10,842</u>
Funds at the start of the year		37,614	118,319	155,933	145,091
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<u>44,533</u>	<u>137,688</u>	<u>182,221</u>	<u>155,933</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2017

**1 Accounting policies**

The principal accounting policies are set out below. The accounting policies have been adopted consistently throughout the year.

**a) Basis of accounting**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of certain fixed assets, and are in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: FRS102 Accounting and Reporting by Charities issued in July 2014 and applicable accounting standards.

The Charity has taken advantage of the exemption granted to small charities in Financial Reporting Standard Number 1 from the requirement to produce a cash flow statement.

**b) Resources expended**

Expenditure is recognised when a liability is incurred.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services, whether incurred in direct pursuance of those activities or indirectly to support them.

Governance costs include those incurred in the governance of its assets and are primarily associated with constitutional and statutory requirements.

Support costs are those of the management, administration and central functions that are not directly related to the objects of the charity.

**c) Grants**

Scholarship grants are included in the year in which they are paid.

**d) Accumulated funds**

Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes defined by the donor.

Unrestricted funds comprise other funds received or generated in accordance with the charity's activities without specific purpose and are available as general funds.

The general fund is used to finance the general purposes of the charity.

The trust fund was set up with a capital sum for investment, with the intention that the income from the investment would fund a full time secretariat and such projects as agreed by the trustees.

Past Balance Sheets of the charity have shown a discrepancy between the value of the investment funds and the division of total funds. This has been corrected by a retrospective transfer between the funds. The investment funds have not been affected nor has any physical movement of monies taken place.

**2 Transactions with trustees**

A total of £441 (2016: £251) was reimbursed to the trustees in respect of travel, subsistence and telephone costs properly incurred in the furtherance of the objectives of the IFA.

# Technical Report

Cengiz Turkoglu

IFA Vice President Technical

During the last twelve months, IFA's technical activities continued despite some of the internal and external disruptions.

John Saull's unfortunate accident didn't allow him to contribute IFA's technical activities for a long time and eventually he chose to retire. I worked with John for the last 6 years and I have always been grateful for his advice and fascinated by his wisdom and his vast experience he gained over a long career. I also look forward to working with John Vincent as the new CEO to continue IFA's involvement in major forums and committees. Considering John's vast experience as a regulator at both national and European level, I hope the IFA will continue to be a trusted source of knowledge and wisdom on airworthiness matters.



From left: Cengiz Turkoglu, John Vincent, John Saull, Simon Place



The external disruption impacted on IFA's technical activities was about our involvement in the 'European Human Factors Advisory Group' (EHFAG). This group has been recently transitioned to 'Human Factors Collaborative Analysis Group' (HF CAG). Although this was a natural continuation of the existing group, the meetings were postponed until its strategic role and contribution to EASA's 'Safety Risk Management' process was reviewed and the group's composition was finalised. Eventually when meetings were resumed at the beginning of this summer, we continued attending the meetings. We will continue our involvement in 'human factors' issues and discussions. As recognised by EASA, HF is and should be an integral part of all airworthiness and safety initiatives.

We also continued our attendance to 'Commercial Air Transport Aeroplanes Collaborative Analysis Group' (CAT Aeroplanes CAG) meetings and IFA will continue its contribution to this group. One important development within the last 12 months was about the formation of a new CAG named 'Designed, Production and Maintenance'. EASA is now in the process of establishing this new group. During the last HF CAG meeting in Cologne, I made a recommendation to change the name of the group to "CAG Airworthiness" as its currently proposed name excludes an important stakeholder, the airlines in other words 'Continuing Airworthiness Management Organisations' (CAMO's).

Finally and perhaps, most importantly, we continued our involvement in ICAO Airworthiness Panel and our representative Dave Lewis attended the last meeting in Montreal in Nov 2016. Dave provided a report about the ongoing discussions and this was made available to our members on our website. We will continue attending the ICAO Airworthiness Panel (AIRP) meetings as it gives us the opportunity to understand the new developments at international level and disseminate the key information about future initiatives.



Although we have not organised an IFA event since our last report was published, we are currently organising the next IFA Conference, which will be hosted by the Hong Kong Civil Aviation Department on the 14th / 15th Nov 2017. As the growth in this region continues, we hope that IFA events in Hong Kong will continue to give opportunity to professionals, academics, students and apprentices to share their ideas, best practices as well as lessons learned and also to discuss the current and future challenges and potential solutions. We are grateful to HK CAD for the opportunity to return to Hong Kong for our third event in the region and for their efforts to get other influential regulatory authorities such as Civil Aviation Administration of China (CAAC) to contribute to our events.

In addition to these activities, our regional VP's Jared Ajwanga, John Goglia, Nasir Iqbal, Victor Liu and Steve Swift all have continued their engagements with the industry to discuss the challenges and various airworthiness initiatives. Their contribution to IFA is also very much appreciated.



**Mr Jared Ajwanga,  
IFA VP Africa**



**Captain Nasir Iqbal,  
IFA VP Middle East**



**Mr Victor Liu,  
IFA VP Asia**



**Mr John Goglia,  
IFA VP Americas**



**Mr Steve Swift,  
IFA VP Australasia**

## Corporate Development Report

### Rustom Sutaria

#### IFA Vice President Corporate Development

The primary objective of Corporate development is not only to attract greater membership numbers, but also to target our younger aviation generations to join IFA and also to take up the challenge of representing IFA's future.

During the last twelve months IFA's corporate development activities have continued at a steady pace, with the formation of the website development team including Emma Bossom (IFA Non-Executive Director), Jared Ajwanga (IFA VP Africa) and Rustom Sutaria (IFA VP Corporate Development). The arrival of John Vincent (IFA CEO), has provided a much-needed injection of energy and new ideas with regard to the development of the forthcoming IFA website, and John's comment, encouragement and opinion has been of tremendous value.

Whilst still retaining the values & traditions of IFA, the new [www.ifairworthy.com](http://www.ifairworthy.com) will be entirely modernized, re-structured and with a fresh new look that represents a rejuvenated IFA with a refreshed purpose as a repository of useful information and guidance material relating to airworthiness and safety matters. Key features of the new website will include a dedicated resource page, and the introduction of a blog, intended to report on both IFA's global and regional activities. Not least a new home page will showcase our corporate members, and recognise their incomparable contribution to the success & importance of IFA and the work that the organisation carries out.

Other corporate development activities include the introduction of the IFA Twitter Account, along with the existing LinkedIn page which has now been completed. The next step will be to review existing IFA data in the form of whitepapers and other documents, which then be repackaging with the assistance of the technical committee into bite-sized and easily absorbed information designed to attract the future generations of aviation professionals. Not least, to develop strategies that exploit existing social media technologies, as well as additional activities that will tie-in the new website with these interfaces.

# Awards Report

## 2016 IFA Scholarship

The Awards Panel and IFA Board presented the 2016 Scholarship to:

Ms Nerissa Sandrine Allen  
Licensed Aircraft Maintenance Engineer (Student)  
LIAT (1974) Ltd

Ms Allen used the Scholarship to attend the Cranfield University Course 'Airworthiness Fundamentals' in September 2016. The course addressed the key aspects of design, construction, maintenance and operation of aircraft across the wide spectrum of technologies encountered in aviation and aerospace. The course featured all aspects of airworthiness from the International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO) standards to the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) and Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) regulations.



Nerissa at Cranfield University having been presented with her scholarship certificate by Dr Simon Place, Senior Lecturer and Professor John Bristow, Lecturer Cranfield University

## 2016 IFA Whittle Safety Award

The 2016 IFA Whittle Safety Award was presented to Sir Tim Clark, President, Emirates Airlines during the GCAA Safety Seminar held in Dubai in May 2016.

The citation reads -

*'For demonstrating how to grow successfully a quality multi cultural airline safety brand through exemplary safety awareness & leadership. His outstanding and visionary leadership demonstrates a clear understanding that safety begins with design and rests with all involved in airline operations - including himself.'*



From left - Captain Nasir Iqbal GCAA, Sir Tim Clark President Emirates Airline, Mr Walid Ghanim Al Ghaith, Director QRMD, GCAA and Frank Turner, IFA President

# Legal and Administrative Information

**Official Name** - The full title of the Organisation is The International Federation of Airworthiness for Aerospace Engineering, Maintenance and Continuing Airworthiness. For the ease of reference the title International Federation of Airworthiness or IFA is used.

**Structure, Governance and Management** - The IFA is governed in accordance with the Constitution for the conduct of affairs of the International Federation of Airworthiness for Aerospace Engineering, Maintenance and Continuing Airworthiness (herein referred to as the Constitution) adopted 21st October 1991 (as amended April 2017).

The objects of the IFA shall be:

1. to advance airworthiness and air safety for the benefit of the public
2. to advance education in aircraft engineering for the benefit of the public by the provision of scholarships

The ultimate authority of the IFA is vested in the General Meeting, composed of representatives of the Members of the IFA.

The IFA Board elected by the General Meeting, as provided for in the Constitution, shall exercise the functions of the IFA and with such powers as may be vested in its Members by Resolutions of the General Meeting.

**Non Executive Board Members (Trustees)** - There shall be 5 (five) trustees, they shall be nominated by the Executive Board Members and shall be appointed by a resolution passed at a General Meeting of the IFA. A memorandum of such a resolution signed either by the person presiding at the meeting or in some other manner directed by the meeting, and attested by two persons at the meeting and duly sealed, shall take effect as the deed of appointment of such trustee or trustees. The discharge of a trustee will take place in like manner.

S. John OBE,  
R. Holliday,  
B. Simmons,  
F. Turner,  
E. Bossom

**Officers** - There shall be a President, a Chairman of the Board and such number of Vice Presidents and Vice Chairmen as the Board shall determine, an Executive Director and such other Officers and Assistants as the Board may from time to time appoint and be approved by the members at the next Annual General Meeting.

President	F. Turner
Chief Executive Officer	J. Vincent
Finance Director	T. Doyle
Vice President - Technical	C. Turkoglu
Vice President - Africa	J. Ajwanga
Vice President - Americas	J. Goglia
Vice President - Australasia	S. Swift
Vice President - Asia	V. Liu
Vice President - Middle East	I. Nasir
Vice President - Business Development	R. Sutaria

A long, straight road stretches into the distance under a dramatic, cloudy sky. The road is flanked by grassy fields and a line of trees in the far distance. The sky is filled with dark, heavy clouds, with a bright light source breaking through in the center, creating a lens flare effect.

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