



**ACI-NA/AAAE  
Airport Board & Commissioners Conference  
April 24-26, 2022 • The Distil • Louisville, KY**

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**Sunday, April 24, 2022**

11:00am – 4:00pm

**Registration**

Room: Ballroom

11:30am – 12:30pm

**ACI-NA Commissioners Committee Meeting Working Lunch**

Room: Ballroom C

1:00pm – 1:30pm

**Welcome and Opening Remarks**

Room: Ballroom A & B

Speakers: Lesa Seibert, Chair, Commissioners Committee; Kevin Burke, President & CEO, ACI-NA

1:30pm – 2:30pm

**FAA Presentation**

Room: Ballroom A & B

In this session, Administrator Griffin will provide an update from FAA about their priorities, topics of the day, and explain the role FAA plays in the larger aviation system.

Speaker: Shannetta Griffin, Associate Administrator for Airports, FAA

2:30pm – 3:00pm

**Networking Break**

3:00pm – 4:00pm

**Session – Airport Governance 101**

Room: Ballroom A &amp; B

This session will provide an introductory understanding of airport management including a review of the air transportation system, regulatory framework and airport governance, ownership and financial management, and airport operations.

Speaker: Peter Kirsch, Kaplan Kirsch Rockwell

4:00pm – 5:00pm

**U.S. Government Affairs Update**

Room: Ballroom A &amp; B

In this session, Annie Russo and Andrew Pantino will provide an update on all things federal government affairs—FAA Reauthorization, topics of the day, and more.

Speakers: Annie Russo, Chief Political & Congressional Strategy Officer, ACI-NA; Andrew Pantino, Vice President, Government Affairs, AAAE

5:30pm – 6:30pm

**Welcome Reception**

Please join us on the Terrace for a Derby themed welcome reception.

## Monday, April 25, 2022

8:30am – 4:00pm

**Registration**

Room: Ballroom

8:30am – 9:30am

**Breakfast**

Room: Ballroom C

9:30am – 10:30am

**Session – Air Service 101 and Q &A**

Room: Ballroom A &amp; B

In this presentation, Anthony Gilmer will discuss air service, related issues such as development, maintenance, and retention and how to attract more routes. Participants, please be ready with questions for Anthony.

Speaker: Anthony Gilmer, Director of Marketing & Air Service, Louisville Regional Airport Authority

- 10:30am – 11:00am **Networking Break**
- 11:00am – 12:00pm **Panel – Cargo from UPS, Louisville’s main cargo provider**  
Room: Ballroom A & B
- This session will provide a baseline understanding of the role cargo plays in an airport, local economic development, and financial stability throughout the pandemic. As we look to the future, what role can cargo play at your airport?
- Speakers: Jeff Wafford, Director of Public Affairs, UPS; Justin Heckel, Community Relations Manager, UPS; Tom Foote, Airport Proprieties Director, UPS
- 12:00pm – 1:00pm **Networking Lunch**  
Room: Outdoor Terrace
- 1:30pm – 2:30pm **Panel – Passenger Experience, Hospitality, and Accessibility**  
Room: Ballroom A & B
- This session will explain new trends and priorities across the industry when it comes to providing the best possible passenger experience to all travelers.
- Speakers: Darrell Watson, Senior VP and Chief Experience Officer, Louisville Regional Airport Authority; Jose Gaztambide, Chief Executive Officer, Good Maps
- Moderator: Seth Cutter, Director of Communications and Government Affairs, Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport
- 2:30pm – 3:30pm **Panel – MRGs and Engaging with Local Corporations**  
Room: Ballroom A & B
- This panel session will discuss Louisville Regional Airlift Development (LRAD), how and why it was established, and how local communities can create similar organizations to raise funds for MRGs. LRAD resources can be found [here](#).
- Speakers: Dan Mann, Executive Director at Louisville Muhammad Ali International Airport ; Sandra Frazier, Tandem Public Relations, on behalf of the community and LRAD
- Moderator: Lesa Seibert, Chair, Commissioners Committee

**Tuesday, April 26, 2022**

- 8:00am – 10:00am      **Registration**  
Room: Ballroom
- 8:00am – 9:00am      **Breakfast**  
Room: Ballroom C
- 9:00am – 10:00am      **Session – Recruiting Airport Executives & Workforce Development**  
Room: Ballroom A & B
- This panel aims to discuss best practices when recruiting and hiring airport executives and the dos and the don'ts of workforce development in the modern era.
- Speaker: Linda Frankl, A.A.E., Director, Senior Practice Leader, ADK Consulting & Executive Search
- 10:00am – 10:15am      **Networking Break**
- 10:15am – 11:15am      **Panel – Bringing Sustainability to Your Airport**  
Room: Ballroom A & B
- This session will spotlight two sustainability projects: the Louisville Regional Airport Authority's \$21.7 million geothermal project scheduled to be completed fall 2022 and Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority utility-scale solar project at Dulles Airport planned to be developed on 833 acres and produce 100 megawatts of solar energy. We will dive into the process, timeline, and resources a project like this requires.
- Speakers: Brian Sinnwell, Senior VP & COO, Louisville Regional Airport Authority; Bill Sudow, Vice-Chairperson, Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority
- 11:15am – 11:30am      **Closing Remarks**  
Room: Ballroom A & B
- 11:30am                  **Boxed Lunch**  
Room: Ballroom