



THE ALTA BRIEF

WHERE LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN AVIATION STANDS WHAT ALTA IS BUILDING



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Dear Colleagues,

It is a pleasure to introduce **The ALTA Brief**, our new bimonthly publication designed to keep our members and stakeholders informed and aligned on the key developments shaping aviation across Latin America and the Caribbean.

At a moment of significant change for our industry, **this platform offers a clear perspective on the challenges we face, the priorities we are advancing, and the progress we are making together.** Beyond information, our aim is to reinforce a shared understanding of where the region stands and where we must go next.

April and May have highlighted both opportunity and pressure. While demand and connectivity continue to grow, structural challenges, taxation, sustainability requirements, operational constraints, and regulatory complexity remain central. In response, ALTA has strengthened its advocacy to ensure aviation is recognized as a strategic driver of economic and social development.

During this period, we have advanced key priorities:

- **Brazil:** Promoting the Conectar agenda while raising concerns on fiscal neutrality in the tax reform.
- **Sustainability:** Launching, with ICF, the study "[Net Zero Aviation in Latin America and the Caribbean: Pathways and Trade-offs](#)" providing a realistic regional roadmap.
- **Industry Alignment:** Convening over 600 leaders at the [ALTA CCMA & MRO Conference 2026](#) in Colombia, strengthening collaboration on supply chain challenges and opportunities across the sector.

These efforts reflect a clear objective: ensuring aviation in our region remains competitive, sustainable, and positioned to support economic growth. We invite you to review the sections that follow and continue engaging with us as we strengthen the voice of aviation across Latin America and the Caribbean.

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ALTA moved forward on three fronts within ICAO's regional agenda. **On SAF**, technical roundtables were held in Colombia and Mexico. Additionally, **ALTA and IATA submitted a coordinated letter to ICAO** regarding the ACT-SAF Argentina initiative. **On safety**, ALTA supported the launch of the Collaborative Safety Team in Colombia alongside ICAO NACC and Airbus. **And on pilot licensing**, ALTA submitted an Information Paper to the ICAO NACC/DCA Meeting, pushing for voluntary regional harmonization.



SUSTAINABILITY

OUR GOAL

Promote strategic dialogue and generate tangible opportunities tailored to the realities and needs of LAC

OUR PROGRESS

The [ALTA Fuel & Sustainability Conference 2026](#) in Quito brought together 144 participants; airlines, governments, and market stakeholders to address fuel accessibility, cost volatility, and emissions pathways from a regional perspective. At the event, ALTA officially launched '[Net Zero Aviation in Latin America and the Caribbean: Pathways and Trade-offs](#),' with a virtual press conference reaching 45 media outlets and generating 71 publications with regional and global reach, including coverage by EFE and Reuters.



FUEL

OUR GOAL

Enhance fuel supply efficiency, safety, and competitiveness across LAC and ensure operational continuity and resilience

OUR PROGRESS

ALTA continued strengthening its fuel intelligence offering first with a Jet Fuel Market Outlook webinar alongside S&P Global Energy, covering prices, geopolitical risks, and logistics, and then with a dedicated member session with Argus on SAF pricing developments in Mexico and their cost implications for airlines.



TECHNICAL OPERATIONS

OUR GOAL

Ensuring material availability and cost efficiency while improving the maintenance, reliability, and technical operations of airline fleets

OUR PROGRESS

ALTA strengthened its technical and supply chain agenda by hosting the [ALTA CCMA & MRO Conference 2026](#) in Cartagena, Colombia. The event brought together over 600 industry leaders, including 80 representatives from 31 airlines across Latin America and the Caribbean, to address critical topics such as MRO outlook, rising maintenance costs, and operational technologies. It generated over 1,650 mini-meetings and 90+ bilateral meetings, strengthening partnerships and driving concrete collaboration across the value chain.



REGULATORY

OUR GOAL

Addressing regulatory matters that impact competitiveness and aviation development.

OUR PROGRESS

ALTA advanced its regional agenda on sustainability, regulation, and competitiveness throughout LAC, supporting Brazil's Conectar Agenda, launched by the Ministry of Ports and Airports with ALTA's institutional support and other key industry partners, to strengthen the competitiveness of Brazil's aviation sector. ALTA also raised concerns over fiscal neutrality risks posed by tax reform and opposed unjustified fare increases in Ecuador and Argentina that bypassed transparent consultative processes.



SAFETY

OUR GOAL

Strengthen aviation safety in LAC through data-driven collaboration, harmonized practices, and coordinated industry engagement

OUR PROGRESS

ALTA advanced the implementation of the Collaborative Safety Team (CST) in Colombia and the industry safety group in Argentina, consolidating both as key mechanisms for identifying and mitigating latent risks. The team also strengthened its presence and influence in the region's safety groups by assuming the Industry Vice-Chair role at RASG-PA alongside Airbus, a recognition of its growing leadership in regional aviation safety.



ECONOMICS

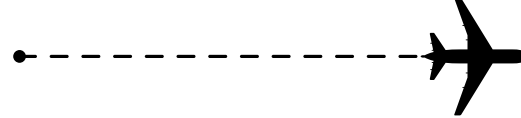
OUR GOAL

Advance harmonization of pilot licensing and simulator certification to enable mobility, international recognition, and greater efficiency

OUR PROGRESS

ALTA participated in the IATA-ALTA Regional Fraud Prevention Group meeting in Miami, aligning the industry around a coordinated response to online ticket fraud ahead of FIFA World Cup 2026. Following the meeting, a fraud-awareness campaign is now underway and being presented to key industry partners, with Avianca already on board.

COMING UP NEXT



ALTA AVIATION LAW AMERICAS CONFERENCE 2026

Consolidated as a key 3-day event where legal experts, renowned law firms, and leading airlines from across the Americas, The Caribbean, Europe, Asia, and Africa come together to immerse in dynamic discussions on pertinent legal and financial topics that will shape the future of Latin America's aeropolitical landscape.

September 8-10, 2026. Miami, United States.

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