



# Single European Sky: 2004

## Background

Ms de Palacio launched the initiative in 1999

The High Level Group worked throughout the year 2000

Main principles:

Reduce fragmentation between

States

Civil and military

Systems

Introduce new technology

Synergy EU - Eurocontrol





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## Progress of legislation

Commission made proposals end 2001

Parliament first reading July 2002

Council common position March 2003

Parliament second reading July 2003

Conciliation December 2003

Adoption March 2004





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## Working methods

Regulatory approach

complements operational approach

Commission is in charge of implementation

Assisted by the Single Sky Committee

Member States' civil & military representatives

Eurocontrol, other European countries invited

Supported by Industry Consultation Body

to achieve consensus about roadmap

And by Social Dialogue





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## Working methods

Technical input by Eurocontrol  
through mandates

Embedded into pan-European approach

as a result of EU membership of Eurocontrol  
and of aviation agreements with non-EU States

And in a global context

through ICAO

and cooperation with main partners





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## Working methods

The regulatory approach is complemented and supported by financial instruments

Research and development

Trans-European networks

Funding of collective improvements through the user charges mechanism

Study on long-term financial requirements analysis of public funding to support adjustments to Single Sky





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### Main themes: airspace

Harmonisation of airspace classification and design

A single European Upper Information Region

Functional airspace blocks are key to rationalisation and consolidation of service provision

Civil-military coordination

Flexible Use of Airspace

Improvements to air traffic flow management





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### **Main themes: service provision**

Separated national supervisory authorities

Cross-border service provision based on certification and mutual recognition

Air traffic service under continued monopoly

Choice of suppliers for other services

Benchmarking and best practices are key to better performance in non-competitive environment





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### Main themes: charging

Rules for both en-route and terminal charges

Support for functional airspace blocks

Incentive mechanism

Organised review of charges





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### Main themes: equipment

Interoperability through “new approach” to standards

High-level essential requirements

Detailed through binding implementing rules  
or through voluntary industry standards

Implementing rules enable introduction of new  
equipment and procedures synchronised between  
States and between service providers and users





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## Agenda for 2004

Set up organisation

Single Sky Committee  
met first time on 9 February

Industry Consultation Body  
met first time on 28 April

Memorandum of Cooperation with Eurocontrol  
Basis for mandates

Arrangements with Standardisation bodies





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## Agenda for 2004

Priority detailed regulation

Harmonisation of airspace design  
and classification

Flexible Use of Airspace

Establishment of National Supervisory  
Authorities and Certification regime

Charging regime





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## Agenda for 2004

Support actions

Establishment of Functional Airspace Blocks

Support to military cooperation

Prepare proposal on Air Traffic Controller Licences

Initial standardisation measures

Prepare proposal on Single Sky financial instrument





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## Longer term action

Support adjustment to Single Sky

Structural: consolidation, integration

Operational: interoperability

New technology: SESAME

International Co-operation





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## Towards a global approach

Platform for global convergence

Research

ICB

SESAME

Need to synchronise mandated equipage

Need to develop relationship with ICAO

