

# Newsletter 2018-01: CEIV Update

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### Introduction by the Chairman

Dear Pharma.Aero members,

the beginning of the new year is a good time to evaluate the progress Pharma.Aero has made over the past 14 months, and to look forward and plan for 2018.

We have expanded our Pharma.Aero global network, created awareness in our industry and facilitated the collaboration among the members. The open internal dialogue, especially with our pharma shipper members, has proven to be crucial in identifying the right priorities allowing us to improve the handling of pharmaceutical shipments. In this respect Pharma.Aero remains a unique platform for cross industry collaboration.

Our air cargo industry is not always the fastest when it comes to changing and innovating. Many industry stakeholders wait for others to take action and only copy the results when the risk for failure is low. This is not the way forward and therefore Pharma.Aero launched three project groups serving as catalysts for innovation, where members can collaborate and share best practices. Although it can be a slow process to initiate change and innovation, the momentum builds up progressively and results will only become apparent when persisting.

The next series of newsletters will give a status report of the results, showcasing the progress we have made and outlining the added value these working groups are creating for our members.

Together with the Executive Committee I look forward to continue working with all of you and making change happen in our industry. We are committed to further grow the impact of Pharma.Aero for our members. More detailed information on how we will drive this process and how we will strengthen the Pharma.Aero initiative will follow in the coming weeks.

Best regards,  
Nathan De Valck

## Project update: IATA CEIV shippers validation

### Project summary

Project lead: Brussels Airport



Project participants: Johnson & Johnson, MSD, Pfizer

#### Project purpose

The CEIV pharma certification standard has become an industry standard, which is being implemented by any air cargo stakeholders. A validation of the checklist by pharma shippers can result in a simplified and reduced audit frequency of certified stakeholders.

#### Project description

Pharma.Aero invited its pharma shipper members to participate and involve their QA experts to review and validate the CEIV checklist. The group will evaluate up to which extend pharmaceutical manufacturers can validate the checklist and the audit methodology, aiming at obtaining an endorsed audit format.

#### Project Status

The project group has approved 57 recommendations summarized in a final technical report. These recommendations relate to the following topics:

- Classification of minor-major-critical audit findings
- Supplier audits
- Recertification
- Stakeholders to be involved in the CEIV audits
- Main challenges
- Detailed feedback on checklist items

The Pharma shippers represented in the project group have clearly voiced their commitment to validate the CEIV certification if IATA integrates their feedback into the CEIV pharma methodology. This would result in simplified audit processes and an alignment of the pharma shipper procedures with the CEIV standards.



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## Project planning

### Meetings held

- Agreement on project charter: 29/06
- 1st meeting 4/08: kick-off
- Confcall 12/09: follow-up of input by shippers
- 2nd meeting 6/10: discuss audit methodology & priorities
- 3rd meeting 14/11: discuss challenges & audit checklist
- 4th meeting 11/12: validation of audit checklist and approval of final report

### Planned meeting

- 5th meeting 23/01: discuss report with Andrea Gruber, IATA

### Next steps

- Sign memorandum with IATA to update the CEIV pharma methodology and checklist
- Publish white paper

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