

DIPLOMA CENTRE

Certificate in Aviation Leasing & Finance



MODULE 1: AVIATION INDUSTRY

SESSION 1	TIME	DELIVERY
Thursday 28 September 2023	6:00pm – 8:30pm	Onsite & online
1 Introduction to the Certificate in Aviation Leasing & Finance <i>Claire O'Mahony, Solicitor, Course Leader</i>		
2 Why is Ireland a global hub for aircraft leasing and finance? History of GPA; centre of excellence; tax; committed and supportive government; Irish Aviation Authority; and Cape Town Convention. <i>Keith Mulhern, Senior Associate, A&L Goodbody</i>		
3 Aviation industry - the effect of Covid-19 pandemic: <i>Keith Mulhern, Senior Associate, A&L Goodbody</i>		
4 Typical multi-jurisdictional aircraft finance and leasing transactions: Parties; structure; documentation and timing of typical multi-jurisdictional aircraft finance and leasing transaction explained. <i>Jeanette Delehanty, Aviation General Counsel, Castlake Aviation</i>		

2.5 hrs. Gen. CPD

MODULE 2: AIRCRAFT LEASING

SESSION 2	TIME	DELIVERY
Thursday 05 October 2023	2:00pm release	Online only
1 Aircraft leases: Aircraft leases explained; an overview of the principle types of aircraft lease; concerns of a lessor and lessee, and lease structures. <i>David Berkery, Partner, Vinson & Elkins, New York</i>		
2 Overview of an aircraft operating lease agreement: An explanation of an operating lease; pre-lease investigations; pre-lease structuring and main lease terms. <i>David Berkery, Partner, Vinson & Elkins, New York</i>		
3 An introduction to GATS – the new aircraft trading e-platform: <i>David Berkery, Partner, Vinson & Elkins, New York</i>		

2 hrs. Gen. CPD

MODULE 3: AVIATION FINANCING

SESSION 3	TIME	DELIVERY
Thursday 12 October 2023	2:00pm release	Online only
1 Aviation finance – an introduction to loans and the debt financing of aircraft: Sources of funding; why is finance required by airlines and lessors; key parties and their roles; types of finance available; and security. <i>Eoin O'Leary, Associate, Maples Group</i>		
2 Aviation finance – structures and finance documents: Types of financing structures; debt and structured finance; export credit backed lending; vendor financing; leasing; security; considerations when selecting a structure and use of SVPs. <i>Donna Ager, Partner and Head of Aviation, Maples Group</i>		

2 hrs. Gen. CPD

SESSION 4	TIME	DELIVERY
Thursday 19 October 2022	2:00pm release	Online only
1 Aviation security: Typical security granted in an aircraft leasing and finance transaction; security document overview; aircraft mortgages; guarantee; share mortgage/charge; lease security assignments;		

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IDERA and assignment of insurances.

Yvonne McWeeney, Partner, Matheson

- 2 **Why take security?** Why take security – the rationale explained; full recourse and limited recourse explained; categories of security and specific types of security explained.

Yvonne McWeeney, Partner, Matheson

2 hrs. Gen. CPD

SESSION 5	TIME	DELIVERY
Thursday 26 October 2022	6:00pm – 9:00pm	Onsite & online

1 **Workshop 1:**

Interactive session: Please note that this workshop may be recorded and subsequently released to participants based internationally (only), subject to their demand.

1.5 hrs Gen. CPD & 1 hr M&PD

MODULE 4: KEY TECHNICAL ISSUES

SESSION 6	TIME	DELIVERY
Thursday 09 November 2023	2:00pm release	Online only

- 1 **Key lease technical issues – from delivery throughout the lease term and onto transition:** Key technical issues that occur at delivery of an aircraft; lease management; maintenance reserves management; maintenance claims and lease transitions.

Ronan Stewart, Director, Ventoux Aviation Limited

- 2 **Regulatory role of the Irish Aviation Authority (IAA):** An overview of the role and functions of the IAA.

Declan Fitzpatrick, Manager of Safety Regulation Strategy & Policy, Irish Aviation Authority

2 hrs. Gen. CPD

MODULE 5: REGULATORY ENVIRONMENT

SESSION 7	TIME	DELIVERY
Thursday 16 November 2023	2:00pm release	Online only

- 1 **International regulation and the development of commercial aviation:** Development of commercial aviation, including an overview of the Chicago Convention (1944); International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO) and the International Air Transport Association (IATA).

John McMahon, Aviation Consultant, Non-executive director and Adjunct Professor, Kemmy Business School, University of Limerick

- 2 **European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) regulations and EU Emissions Trading Scheme (ETS):** An overview of the EASA provided and its responsibilities explained; EU Emissions Trading Scheme; EU-ETS management and key issues explored.

John McMahon, Aviation Consultant, Non-executive director and Adjunct Professor, Kemmy Business School, University of Limerick

- 3 **Introduction to the Cape Town Convention:** Background; asset classes; Protocol; contracting states; objects; benefits; priority; filing; searches; remedies; IDERA; discharge of interests.

Maria McElhinney, Partner, A&L Goodbody

3 hrs. Gen. CPD

CPD Bonus Conference: Saturday in November – 09:30 – 16:00 (Online) Date TBC

6hrs CPD - 3hrs M&PD & 3hrs Reg (2 hrs of which on Anti-Money Laundering)

MODULE 6: TAXATION & AVIATION

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SESSION 8	TIME	DELIVERY
Thursday 23 November 2023	2:00pm release	Online only
1 An introduction to tax issues for leasing companies: The importance of Irish tax residence; access to 12.5% tax rate – the ‘trading’ requirement; tax depreciation – capital allowances and the benefit of double tax treaties. <i>Gerry Thornton, Partner, Matheson</i>		

MODULE 7: INSURANCE & AVIATION

- 2 **Aviation insurance – an introduction:** Relevant insurance principles; airline aviation insurances; lease insurance provisions; lessor considerations and claims management.
Kate Fitzpatrick, ACII Senior Director Insurance, Aercap

2 hrs. Gen. CPD (total Module 6-7)

MODULE 8: ENGINE LEASING

SESSION 9	TIME	DELIVERY
Thursday 30 November 2023	2:00pm release	Online only
1 Engine leasing – an introduction: Engine leasing: an overview; spare engines; engine maintenance; engine leases; differences between an aircraft lease and an engine lease; engine repossession; title and security issues; engine records and IATA AWG STEEL. <i>Daniel Kiely, Senior VP, BoComm Leasing</i>		

1hr. Gen. CPD

SESSION 10	TIME	DELIVERY
Thursday 07 December 2023	6:00pm – 9:15pm	Online only
1 Career Discussion: Advice from aviation recruiter and aviation professional on job seeking <i>Murrae Ross Eskell, Horizon Executive Search Int'l Ltd</i>		

- 2 **Workshop 2:**
Please note that this workshop may be recorded and subsequently released to participants based internationally (only), subject to their demand.

1.5 hrs Gen. CPD & 1 hr M&PD

ASSIGNMENT DEADLINE: 8 JANUARY 2024

Please note that topics & dates may be subject to change. Draft timetable as of November 2022.

* Gen = General, M&PD = Management and Professional Development, Reg = Regulatory and eLearning = eLearning CPD credits. **CPD Note:** The number of hours of CPD that you may claim in relation to your diploma/certificate course will depend on the way in which you access each of the individual sessions. For further information please visit the course homepage on our website: www.lawsociety.ie/diplomacentre