

Refuelling Capabilities to be a Key Focus at Military Airlift and Air-to-Air Refuelling 2019

LONDON, UNITED KINGDOM, October 28, 2019 /EINPresswire.com/ -- SMI Reports: The 20th annual [Military Airlift](#) and [Air-to-Air Refuelling](#) Conference will be held in Lisbon, Portugal on 3rd – 4th December and will feature key presentations on the importance of efficient Air-to-Air Refuelling capabilities.

Air-to-Air Refuelling practices extend flight time capabilities to maximise strike time and help to enable rapid and flexible deployment of troops and materials. As Air-to-Air Refuelling is crucial to all Air Forces, Military Airlift and Air-to-Air refuelling conference will highlight the latest developments in the field.

The final early bird savings of £100 expires on October 31st. Interested parties are encouraged to secure their spot at www.military-airlift.com/einPR9

This year's programme will feature presentations from military and industry leaders from across the globe. These presentations will address progress, challenges and technology in the field of Air-to-Air Refuelling, in addition to the future of the practice.



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**3 - 4 December 2019
Lisbon, Portugal**

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Key presentations at this year's conference include:

EXTENDING REACHING AND DETERRENCE THROUGH UNRIVALLED AIR REFUELLING ACROSS EUROPE AND AFRICA

- Integrating the 100th ARW's KC-135 fleet with the resources of allied partners to provide extended reach within the European theatre
 - Extending reach: providing deterrent value through the high readiness status of the wing – MRO considerations
 - Providing on-demand AAR capabilities for US Air Forces in Europe: the bloody 100th as a key enabler
 - What lessons the wing can implement moving forward to maintain operational effectiveness
- Colonel Troy Pananon, Wing Commander, 100 Air Refuelling Wing, US Air Force

THE FUTURE OF MILITARY AIR-TO-AIR REFUELLING

- An introduction to the AFLCMC – our role and key stakeholders
- The KC-135 stratotanker – multi mission responsibilities for AAR and airlift
- Foreign military sales of legacy tankers within the alliance

- KC-135 replacement: current timelines in competitions & tenders to provide future AAR capability

- Concluding thoughts – what we can learn from legacy FMS and future programme development

Ms Michelle Toma, Section Chief, KC-135 International Acquisitions, AFLCMC, US Air Force

THE SPANISH APPROACH TO MILITARY AIRLIFT

- Current capabilities in air logistics and AAR – strategic, [tactical](#) and operational resources

- Transition from the C-130 to the A400M: technology, infrastructure and training challenges to be overcome

- EOC for the A400M: lessons learned and partnerships with other European operators

- Integration and innovation within a European framework: reducing costs and enabling knowledge and asset exchange

Colonel Melecio Hernandez Quinones, Ala 31 Commander, Spanish Air Force

AAR AS A FORCE MULTIPLIER IN SUPPORT OF LOGISTICS

- AAR as a force enabler and multiplier via temporal extension of air capabilities

- Work within existing airlift frameworks and future priorities for capability development

- Requirements for a flexible airlift and tanking capability of the future

- Utilising AAR to minimise logistical footprints on the ground

Mr Joao Alexandre Paulo De Moraes, Manager, Projects and Logistics, Westlake Corporation

COMMERCIAL ACCESS TO MILITARY AIRLIFT AND AAR CAPABILITIES

- Outsourcing airlift and AAR services to alleviate current shortfalls

- Military led and Industry powered solutions as new scheme

- Why innovative funding solutions are a serious option for Air Forces

- Learn from the past to shape better industrial solutions

Mr Malcolm Sandford, Senior Vice President, SkyTech

The conference will offer networking opportunities at a pre-conference drinks reception on 2 December. Additionally, a site visit to Montijo Air Base will be hosted by the Portuguese Air Force on 5th December.

Visit the event website at www.military-airlift.com/einPR9 to view the full event programme.

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