



*"[air navigation control, [...]] is a task involving the exercise of public authority and is not of an economic nature, since that activity constitutes a service in the public interest which is intended to protect both the users of air transport and the populations affected by aircraft flying over them".  
(Extract of decision C.364/92 of the European Court of Justice).*

## SPRING Meeting Final Communiqué

# DFS loves the Football World Cup. So do we

Air traffic controllers are big football fans. ATCEUC is proud that the **FIFA® Football World Cup 2006** takes place in Germany and sincerely hopes it goes well. However, there could be thunderstorms. And they have nothing to do with meteorological issues. What would a football field without any players or spectators look like? ATCEUC will support any action initiated by GdF to fight against the privatization of the German provider DFS, because of its deleterious consequences on safety level and on the overall working condition of Air Traffic Management staff in general.

The MOSAIC project concerning Benelux, France, Italy, Switzerland and Maastricht UAC, set up by members of ATCEUC is one of the possible alternate to the only prevailing model competition between service providers. ATCEUC supports its members involved in the project and is ready to support any of its members involved in other projects with the same goals of promoting cooperation instead of competition.

ATCEUC strongly condemns the SEEFABA top-down approach initiated by the European Commission in the Balkan area and will support any action initiated by ATCOR and/or BATCU.

ATCEUC reaffirms its involvement in the SESAR project, especially in tasks 1.7 and 2.2 and its attachment to a safer human centred system.

ATCEUC is proud to welcome IATCU (Serbia and Montenegro) as a new member.

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