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PRESS RELEASE**IATA CEO ALEXANDRE DE JUNIAC SET TO SPEAK AT AVIATION CLUB UK LUNCHEON**

The boss of the airlines' leading industry body IATA - the International Air Transport Association -, is the next speaker to address the aviation industry in London.

Alexandre de Juniac is the seventh Director General of IATA, which has some 280 airline members from 120 countries, between them carrying around 80% of the world's air passengers.

In recent months, though, three airlines have failed including the UK's fifth largest airline Monarch. De Juniac is expected to comment on the state of the industry at the Aviation Club UK's Club luncheon at London's Institute of Directors on Wednesday 8 November.

The industry has many global challenges and de Juniac, former CEO of Air France is expected to discuss Brexit, capacity and sustainability.

Jane Johnston, Club Chairman, said: "The aviation industry is used to external shocks and the collapse of Air Berlin, Alitalia and Monarch opens up opportunities for other carriers. It will be interesting to see how Air Berlin and Alitalia's bankruptcy will affect the global market/alliance models, while of course in the UK we are still watching the fallout from Monarch's sad demise.

"With airlines gearing up for the new year when they start selling post-Brexit tickets, what is IATA's view of the impact of Brexit on the UK consumer? We look forward to hearing how Alexandre de Juniac sees the future."

To book seats for the next lunch visit www.aviationclub.org.uk or contact the Club Secretary.

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Notes to Editors:

The Aviation Club of the UK, founded in 1990, aims to provide a forum for its 500 members to discuss, promote and develop all aspects of civil aviation. More information and membership details for the Aviation Club of the UK can be found at www.aviationclub.org.uk

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