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ACI EUROPE partners with RE-Source to accelerate clean energy transition at Europe's airports & deliver NetZero2050

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Amsterdam, 2 October 2019: European airport trade association, ACI EUROPE today signs a key cooperation agreement with the RE-Source Platform, the European alliance of stakeholders for corporate renewable energy sourcing, at its annual event in Amsterdam. This new partnership will facilitate the clean energy transition at Europe's airports, empowering them to deliver on their objective to reach Net Zero by 2050 for carbon emissions under their control¹. The involvement of the airport industry in RE-Source adds to the building momentum for corporate energy sourcing, which will help meeting Europe's target to reach 32% of its energy from renewables by 2030.

RE-Source brings together clean energy buyers and suppliers in order to promote a better framework for corporate energy sourcing both at the EU and national levels. Founded by SolarPower Europe, WindEurope, RE100 and the WBCSD, RE-Source is focused on supporting the development and deployment of renewable energy sources by promoting new business models and improving policies & regulations².

Olivier Jankovec, Director General ACI EUROPE commented "On average, switching to clean energy supply offers the potential to reduce an airport's own carbon footprint by -60%. This means that access to renewable energy at competitive prices and under a stable regulatory & contractual framework is of paramount importance for the European airport industry to deliver on its NetZero2050 commitment. To succeed, we need strategic partnerships – and this is what ACI EUROPE's involvement in RE-Source is about. This will provide our members with the latest tools & information to help them drive their transition to clean energy sourcing. This will also allow us to play our part in pushing for the removal of administrative and regulatory hurdles to the development of renewable energy and its sourcing by corporates."

UPCOMING ACTIONS

In a bid to better equip businesses for this shift, the RE-Source Platform will today launch a special toolkit, which will provide airports with template contractual terms, information on methods of procuring renewable energy, the business models for renewable energy sourcing and their availabilities across the continent.

Additionally, as part of their effort to spur action on the NetZero2050 commitment, ACI EUROPE will - in 2020 - organize a special training session for airports with the RE-Source Platform, SolarPower Europe and WindEurope on how to move forward.

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- ¹ The ACI EUROPE NetZero2050 Resolution can be viewed here: https://www.aci-europe.org/component/downloads/downloads/6102.html
- ² For more information on the RE-Source platform visit: http://resource-platform.eu/

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ACI EUROPE is the European region of Airports Council International (ACI), the only worldwide professional association of airport operators. ACI EUROPE represents over **500 airports** in 45 European countries. Our members facilitate over 90% of commercial air traffic in Europe: **2.3 billion passengers**, **21.2 million tonnes of freight** and **25.7 million aircraft movements** in 2018. In response to the Climate Emergency, in June 2019 our members committed to achieve net zero carbon emissions for operations under their control by 2050, without offsetting.

EVERY FLIGHT BEGINS AT THE AIRPORT.