

## THE SOLA CONFERENCE FOUNDATION NEWSLETTER NO 1 2017

**Solakonferansen 2017 (The Sola Conference 2017 (SC17) September 18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>  
at Scandic Stavanger Airport, Sola**



For a period, the offshore helicopter operations is the main theme of The Sola Conference. In the two previous conferences, we have made up status in relation to past and current challenges. Now it's time to turn our gaze forward. In what direction we would like to see the offshore helicopter transport industry develop?

One possible approach would be to focus on closing the gap relative to the fixed wing sector, which we see as a realistic objective. Therefore, the main topic, with continued focus on offshore helicopter sector, will be:



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Headline and Main Topic:  
**CLOSING THE GAP TO FIXED WING  
- HOW DO WE APPROACH THE FUTURE?  
ONE CHALLENGE, MANY OPPORTUNITIES**

**THE SOLA CONFERENCE 2017**  
September 18-20  
Scandic Stavanger Airport, Sola  
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*On this headliner, the Conference Committee has developed the framework of the 2017 program, and proudly presents a detailed and completed program within late April/early May.*

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The first thing you might think about is safety and accident statistics compared with fixed wing, but it is also in many other areas fixed wing industry lies ahead offshore helicopter operations. Comfort and noise for the passengers is an obvious theme. Moreover, we have the issues with regulation, legislation and competition; will the helicopter industry also be forced into a similar competitive situation such as we see today in the fixed wing industry?

- ✓ We are going ahead with the program over three days
- ✓ The program offers evening events with dining, full meals, both Monday and Tuesday; these, and lunches all three days, are covered by the conference fee
- ✓ All this, and more, you can participate in, contribute to, and experience, in the premises of our excellent partner and conference host, Scandic Stavanger Airport, Sola, next door to the Stavanger Airport, Sola, arrival hall.

*The Annual Board Meeting 2017 for The Sola Conference Foundation and The Sola Conference Research Fund was held on Friday March 17<sup>th</sup>.*

- ✓ The Chairman, and the board, were reelected
- ✓ We are pleased to introduce and welcome the new board members
  - Arne Martin Gilberg, Director Business Development, Aircontactgruppen AS
  - Heidi Wulff Heimark, Area Manager, Bristow Norway AS.

The Sola Conference 2017 Conference Committee, which consists of

- ✓ Chairman Øivind Solberg, PhD, Manager, Solberg Risk & Safety
- ✓ Glenn Christiansen, Manager Crew Training, CHC Helikopter Service AS
- ✓ Erik Hamremo, Senior Adviser, Corporate responsible for Flight Safety, Statoil ASA
- ✓ Jim Urianstad, Flight Operations Manager, Bristow Norway AS
- ✓ Secretary Håvard Haugen, General Manager, The Sola Conference Foundation

is pleased to present these confirmed speakers / companies

- ✓ Minister of Transport and Communications Ketil Solvik-Olsen, Th Progress Party, Ministry of Transport and Communications
- ✓ Mayor Ole Ueland, H, Sola Municipality, will conduct the official opening
- ✓ Lars Kobberstad, Director General, Civil Aviation Authority Norway (CAA NO)
- ✓ Guillaume Faury, CEO, Airbus Helicopters
- ✓ Dag Falk-Petersen, CEO, Avinor AS
- ✓ Torbjørn Lothe, Managing Director, The Federation of Norwegian Aviation Industries (NHO Luftfart)
- ✓ Gretchen Haskins, CEO, HeliOffshore
- ✓ Frode Steen, Professor, Norwegian School of Economics (NHH)
- ✓ Heidi Wulff Heimark, Area Manager, Bristow Norway AS
- ✓ Anders Kristian Røsok, Section Manager Flight Operations, CAA NO
- ✓ Øivind Solberg, PhD, Manager, Solberg Risk & Safety
- ✓ Petter Førde, Chairman, Norwegian Pilot Association
- ✓ Henrik Solvorn Fjeldsbø, National Officer HES, Industry Energy
- ✓ Chairman Aviation Forum, Norwegian Oil and Gas
- ✓ Tor Gunnar Johansen, Senior Manager Technical Services, CHC Helikopter Service AS
- ✓ Airbus Helicopters, name under clarification
- ✓ Bell Helicopter Inc, name under clarification
- ✓ Leonardo Helicopters, name under clarification
- ✓ Sikorsky Aircraft, name under clarification
- ✓ Jarle Gimmestad, conductor of the conference, Senior Partner, Gimmestads

and this framework program

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September 18<sup>th</sup>,

Official Opening of The Sola Conference 2017 in Pulpit I & II 11.00 - our lovely buffet lunch at 1130 to 1230 hrs - starting at 1230 hrs in Pulpit I & II the program until approximately 1645 hrs break and refreshments underway - at 1900 to 2130 hrs is the evening and industry gathering, with dining and entertainment at Falck Nutec Stavanger, Buøy, tour of facility, demonstrations and displays

September 19<sup>th</sup>,

Program at 0830 to 1645, buffet lunch and breaks/refreshments underway - conference dinner (buffet) at 1900 to 2145 hrs at Bristow Norway AS hangar, orientation, static displays

September 20<sup>th</sup>,

Program at 0830 to 1300 hrs, finishing with a subsequent buffet lunch.

The cooperation agreement established with the University of Stavanger (UiS), Centre For Risk Management And Societal Safety (SEROS), signed in 2010, still form an important foundation for the development of our business and this year's conference. UiS is therefore represented, along with representatives of our major contributors and partners, in the Conference Committee's work program for SC17.

The Conference Committee is close to finalizing work on this year's program, and it remains only a few confirmations. Stay tuned to our website for updates and news. We also try eventually to publish on Facebook.

We plan to offer an almost complete program just after Easter, following that we indicate open up for enrollment early May.

Until then we wish you all the best from here - Flight Safety First.

Sola, April 3<sup>rd</sup> 2017.

With kind regards,

On behalf of the Board of  
The Sola Conference Foundation,

Håvard Haugen (sign)  
General Manager

*The Sola Conference*

*For Safety in Aviation – the most important independent arena for debate and exchange of knowledge.*

*For those having new knowledge – those who are in need of knowledge – those who want to obtain knowledge (SKB/Oct 13).*

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