



Terms of Reference
of the
Aeroacoustics Specialist Committee
a body of the
Council of the European Aerospace Societies
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This Document represents the Terms of Reference of the **Aeroacoustics Specialist Committee (ASC)**, a Body of the **Council of the European Aerospace Societies (CEAS)**. It was initially prepared by the members of the ASC in 1996 (i.e. Mr. Cuesta/Spain, Dr. Fournier/France, Dr. Kempton/UK, Prof. Morino/Italy and Dr. Sarin/The Netherlands) under the direction of its then Chairman, Dr. Heller/Germany, and subsequently modified according to Article 11 in 2000 and again in 2008.

The CEAS-ASC has been instituted at the first joint CEAS/AIAA Aeroacoustics Conference (Munich, Germany) in June of 1995 as one of the Specialist Committees of the CEAS.

1. It has been founded to serve and support the scientific and industrial aeroacoustics community of Europe. Here the term “aeroacoustics“ is understood to encompass all aerospace acoustics and related areas.

Towards this objective the ASC will

- 1.1 organize (or participate in the organization of) major annual international conferences in the area of aeroacoustics,
 - 1.2 organize European symposia and workshops, primarily open to members of the constituent European aeroacoustics community, on timely and dedicated subjects,
 - 1.3 seek cooperation with other national European aeroacoustics specialist groups outside the current constituent member societies,
 - 1.4 maintain close links with the Aeroacoustics Technical Committee of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA-ATC),
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- 1.5 seek links with other non-European aeroacoustics specialist groups,
 - 1.6 publish an annual survey paper of European aeroacoustics research highlights in appropriate flagship publications,
 - 1.7 encourage, initiate and endorse position papers on timely subjects, as and when required,
 - 1.8 encourage, initiate and endorse technical publications by experts on special subjects, as and when required,
 - 1.9 offer short courses on appropriate subjects and encourage aeroacoustics courses at universities,
 - 1.10 provide the CEAS Board with information on major technical or scientific developments in aeroacoustics which may have an impact on the European aerospace community,
 - 1.11 bestow the **CEAS Aeroacoustics Award** to an outstanding scientist, or a group of outstanding scientists (European and non-European) at its major aeroacoustics conferences.
2. The ASC will comprise one representative from each of the constituent societies.
 3. Up to two further committee members from each of the constituent countries may be appointed to provide representation from industry, research establishments and universities. Additional members may be co-opted to serve on the Committee as appropriate. There is one vote per constituent society.
 4. The ASC Chairperson will be the representative of a constituent society and will be chosen by the members of the committee on a rotating basis to serve for two consecutive calendar years.
 5. The Chairperson will act as Vice Chairperson for one year after his/her term. At the end of that year, a Vice Chairperson will be elected, to serve for the second year of the term and become the Chairperson for the next two years.
 6. The primary obligation of the ASC Chairperson will be to lead the ASC towards best achieving its stated objectives.
 7. The ASC will institute certain dedicated subcommittees (as a body inside the ASC) if and when the need arises, and may invite individual specialists in defined areas to their management meetings.
 8. Normally three ASC management meetings or conference calls per year are to be held.
 9. The ASC Chairperson will call these meetings and ensure the timely delivery of minutes.
 10. Issues of primary importance will be sent to the CEAS Board.
 11. Changes in the Terms of References of the ASC require a two-thirds majority of the total Committee. Other votes will be passed on a simple majority of those present.