

## SECOND DAY OF AFRAA AGA

### AIR MAURITIUS CEO, SOMAS APPAVOU CALLS FOR MORE COLLABORATION BETWEEN AFRICAN AIRLINES



The AFRAA AGA continues today with further discussions on the future trends in aviation. Cargo business will also be examined by delegates and the last panel discussion will look at the ways and means to work differently.

Yesterday's sessions were productive where leading African airline CEOs examined key industry issues. Air Mauritius CEO, Somas Appavou stressed that collaboration was key to overcome the scale challenge and high cost base of the African airline industry. All airline CEOs as well as AFRAA secretary general, Mr Abderahmane Berthe made a strong case for improved regulatory environment as well as non-restrictive taxes and charges policies.

Africa also needs to invest in infrastructure, training and new technology, if they are to compete at a global level. SATM (The Single African Air Transport Market ) was also debated with various stakeholders sharing their views about which air access policy is better suited for the continent.

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