

The Airports Authority of Trinidad and Tobago proudly hosted the prestigious CAPA Airline Leader Summit Latin America & Caribbean, 2024 on August 22-23, 2024. This landmark event, which brought together leaders from airlines around the globe, showcased Trinidad and Tobago as a premier destination for the aviation sector and presented a unique opportunity to engage directly with key decision-makers in the industry.

Delegates from diverse regions, including Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, and Germany, attended the Summit, underscoring their confidence in the Trinidad and Tobago market and highlighting promising prospects for enhanced connectivity to the Middle East, Africa, and much of the eastern hemisphere. The presence of such a distinguished international audience reaffirmed the nation's strategic importance in the global aviation landscape.



The CAPA Airline Leader Summit 2024 offered a comprehensive platform to raise awareness about Trinidad and Tobago as a premier destination for both aviation and tourism. The event showcased our nation's potential as an ideal venue for future conferences, highlighted new and upgraded aviation infrastructure, and facilitated connections with potential business partners and airline providers. Additionally, it played a crucial role in building relationships aimed at enhancing future connectivity.

Key topics discussed at the Summit included the future of the Caribbean market in regional travel and tourism, the acceleration of sustainability efforts through new energy sources in aviation, and the importance of embracing customer-centric retailing in the airline industry. Other significant areas of focus were the evolving role of tourism in business travel, strategies for seamless airline and airport operations, and the current state of the aviation industry according to CAPA Outlook. The Summit also addressed critical infrastructure shortages and strategies for building up regional aviation capacity.

Panel discussions delved into the state of mergers, partnerships, and consolidation within the fragmented Latin American and Caribbean aviation market, exploring how these could potentially expand market access and create economies of scale despite existing regulatory challenges. The discussions on sustainability emphasized the potential role of Latin America and the Caribbean in global efforts to decarbonize air travel and the necessity for coordinated regional action. Additionally, the Summit analysed trends and opportunities within the Caribbean travel and tourism sector, focusing on post-pandemic recovery and future growth prospects. The Airports Authority of Trinidad and Tobago extends heartfelt thanks to all key stakeholders and sponsors who contributed to the success of the Summit. The event has solidified Trinidad and Tobago's position as a vital hub for global aviation and set the stage for future growth and collaboration in the industry.

