

# Editorial

This issue of *AIR & Space LAW* deals exclusively with legal (and tax) aspects of aircraft finance. On 17 January 1992, a conference *Aircraft Financing: Recent Developments and Prospects* was held in Amsterdam, organized by the firm of De Brauw Blackstone Westbroek.

This special issue consists of the presentations made as well as the additional papers presented at the aforesaid Conference. The combination of those presentations and papers, offers a broad view on the legal and tax aspects of aircraft finance in continental Europe.

In view of the scope of the contributions by De Brauw Blackstone Westbroek, focussing on

the laws of The Netherlands but dealing with cross-border aspects as well, and the contributions of Boden Oppenhoff Rasor Raue, De Bandt Van Hecke & Lagae, Jeantet & Associés and Uría & Menéndez, (all these firms being members of the Alliance of European Lawyers), covering Germany, Belgium, France and Spain respectively, the Board of Editors of *AIR & Space LAW* thought it fit to bring all these contributions together in one special issue on aircraft financing and leasing. The interest of this subject for the entire industry justified, in our view, a double sized special issue.

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