



USAIRE NEWS – APRIL 2009

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, 12 May 2009: USAIRE will host its 50th Anniversary cocktail to be held at France-Amériques. This is a “not-to-be-missed” event for all members and their guests.

NEWS FROM THE BOARD

The following new members joined in April :

Electronic Cables (ECS)	Serge Perrussel	Region Mgr Business Develop.	Tel: 05.34.52.86.77
GIFAS	Vincent Gorry	Head of International Affairs	Tel: 01.44.43.17.35
KGA Avocats	Laurent Simonel	Partner	Tel: 01.44.95.20.00
Rolls-Royce Int'l	Sophie Duchesne	P.A. to President, RR Int'l	Tel: 01.47.22.72.00
Thales Int'l	Sylvie Lucot	VP International Opns.	Tel: 01.57.77.85.01

Our **Membership Directory** was published on 1 April. As required by **our internal procedures**, a few members were excluded from this new issue for non-payment of the current year's dues. However, new members who joined in April helped us maintain our total membership at 105. **We encourage excluded members to reapply for membership in September for our 2009-2010 fiscal year.**

Student Award Program: The theme for our 2009 Award is, “What will the Civil and Military Space look like in 2050?” Also, “What Consequences will this have on our Industry's Competitiveness and Innovation Ambitions?” Cathay Pacific, Airbus, Eurocopter, Thales, Air & Cosmos are partners for this Award. The call for Papers has already been distributed to French schools.

RECENT EVENTS

Friday, 30 April 2009: Our luncheon guest speakers were:

1) **Michel Wachenheim**, Directeur de Cabinet du Secrétaire d'Etat au Transport **Dominique Bussereau** and 2) **Gaël Le Bris**, Student at ENAC and USAIRE's 2008 Student Award Winner. They spoke together on, « Quel sera le contexte énergétique et environnemental dans l'industrie aéronautique et de la défense en 2030 ? Quelles en seront les conséquences sur les ambitions d'innovation et de compétitivité de notre industrie ? » A very pro-active discussion took place, especially with the CEO's of Regional, Brit Air, the Director of Environment of AF/KLM and the Directory of Strategy of Airbus.

Friday, 30 April 2009: The luncheon was preceded by USAIRE's **Annual General Assembly**.

Michel Dubarry, President, reviewed the USAIRE events of the past year in Paris and Toulouse and plans for the coming year. **Gilles Deschars, Treasurer**, presented his financial report. In his comments, **Michel Dubarry** announced his intention to step down after four years as USAIRE's President. He outlined to the candidates for the Board their commitment to be present at USAIRE events, especially at our luncheons and, when possible, to invite guests. Following his comments, a new Board was elected. Details will be published shortly.

Michel Dubarry, USAIRE President