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### #SafetySummit19; SEA Prime tops Shortlist for European Award Honouring Best of Business Aviation Safety

12 November, Cologne (Germany). The European Business Aviation Association (EBAA) announced the winner of the first-ever Safety Recognition Award during its annual Safety Summit.

The Business Aviation Safety Recognition Award was created earlier this year by EBAA to acknowledge and reward the exceptional work by members who go well beyond already rigorous safety compliance requirements.

Presenting the award to EBAA member [SEA Prime SpA](#) during the association's annual [Safety Summit](#) cocktail reception, EBAA Secretary-General Athar Husain Khan said, "As the voice of business aviation in Europe, we want to recognise inspirational success stories resulting from going the extra mile in terms of safety culture and precaution. SEA Prime did just that, by implementing special procedures compliant with the highest safety standards to manage additional traffic during the closure of Milan's Linate Airport, one of the Europe's busiest airports, particularly during summer months."

Earlier this year, Italy's Milan Linate Airport (LIN) closed for about three months as part of a project to refurbish the runway and commercial terminal. During the closure, Linate's flights were transferred to Milan Malpensa Airport (MXP), which had been preparing for the influx for months. SEA Prime SpA designed special procedures for business aircraft to follow at Malpensa to handle the additional flights.

"We thank EBAA for this award recognizing the constant commitment of SEA Prime and the SEA Group in offering excellent services while always putting safety first, within the framework of the best operational standards", said Chiara Dorigotti, Chief Executive Officer SEA Prime SpA. "Thanks to the procedures designed and implemented in the extraordinary period of the 3-month closure of the Linate airport, we were able to manage over 5,100 Aviation business aviation movements, with an increase of ca 265% compared to the previous year".

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#### **About the EBAA Safety Summit**

This annual event has established itself as Europe's premier event where aviation professionals from across Europe and beyond come together to discuss all aspects of safety, on the ground and in the air. Employees of EASA, the EU institutions, as well as CAA representatives can attend free of charge. Please get in touch with us at [safety@ebaa.org](mailto:safety@ebaa.org) for more details.

#### **About EBAA**

The European Business Aviation Association (EBAA) is the leading organisation for operators of business aircraft in Europe. Our mission is to enable responsible, sustainable growth for business aviation, enhance connectivity and create opportunities. EBAA Works to improve safety standards and share knowledge, to further positive regulation and to ease all aspects of closely tailored, flexible, point to point air transportation for individuals, governments, businesses and local communities in the most time-efficient way possible.

Founded in 1977 and based in brussels, EBAA represents more than 730 members companies, corporate operators, commercial operators, manufacturers, airports, fixed-based operators, and more, with a total fleet of more than 1,000 aircraft. We provide more than 50 products and services to the business aviation community, including the European Business Aviation Convention & Exhibition (EBACE), Europe's largest business aviation trade show.

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