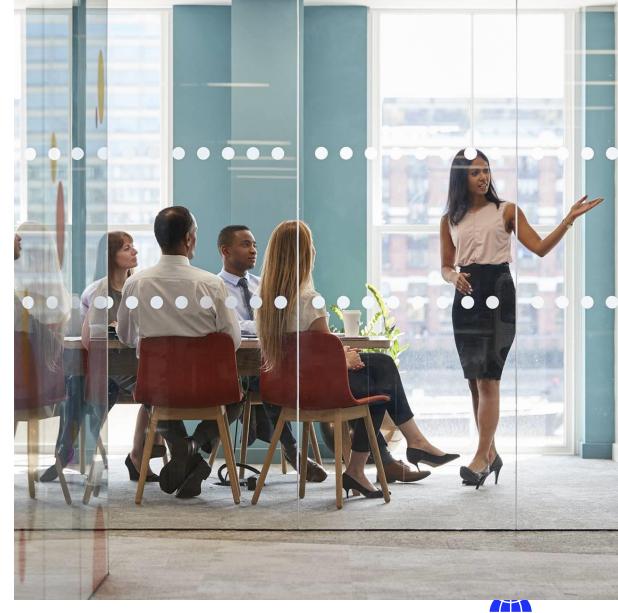
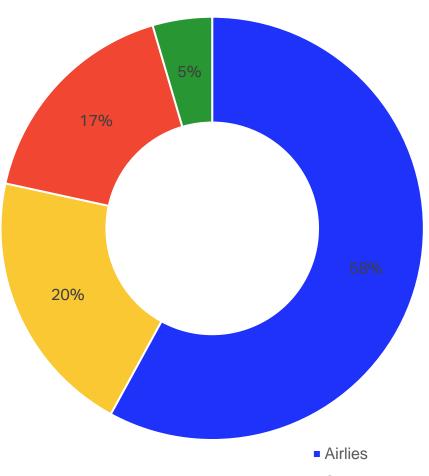
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September 2023 Edition





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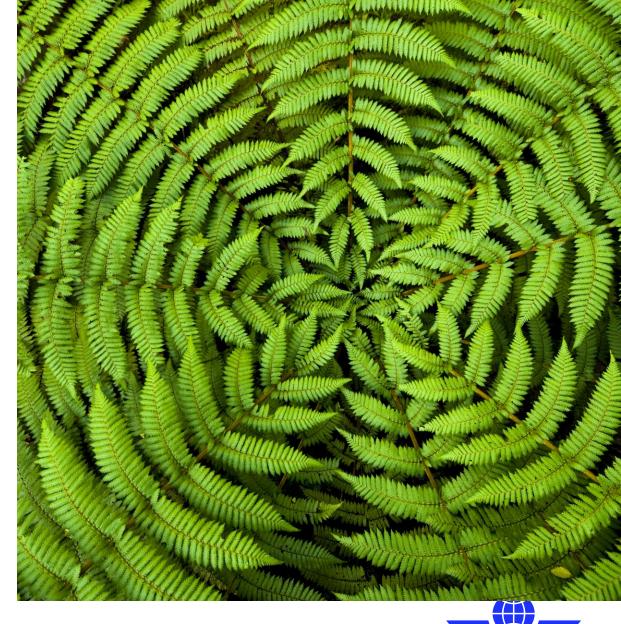
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- Industry Body;



Welcome & Opening





What's on your mind for this meeting

(an extract from your registration)

Industry, scale, sharing experiences

- commitment to standard implementation
- see industry knowledge increases in Implementation guidance
- Understanding of where we are in the adoption of NDC
- · Scaling up in a cost effective manner: increasing partners adds cost to upgrade or add new functionality
- E2E seamless deployment of NDC
- many airlines and travel agencies are not utilizing NDC content
- Future changes that might address some of the challenges faced, industry best practices and interlining/payments/markup
- understanding solutions for aggregators and corporates to get on board NDC
- Timeline on 17.2 support and future NDC versions
- Benchmark of 21.3 deployment
- Performance in NDC, especially shop
- challenges that the other airlines have faced while migrating to 21.3
- what sellers consider the most valuable benefits of the new distribution.
- Servicing options to help improve TMC adoptions
- Interline support

Schema functionalities

- disruption management with notifications
- Best practices in Servicing
- Ticket time limits for Private fares like seamen, student, Corporate fares etc.
- Waiver codes

Other

- Reporting for Non-BSP markets
- Building IT expertise
- Onboarding methodology



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Implementation Forum Agenda

9:00 Welcome, Competition Law Compliance

Industry NDC adoption reality check and implementing with the end in view

Participant introductions

Implementation Guidance Highlights

10:40 - 11:00 Break

Servicing in NDC - Part 1

Migrating to 21.3 (IBS, Verteil, presentations, fireside chat)

12:10 – 13:30pm Lunch

Performance in NDC

Industry conversations (Performance, 21.3)

15:00 – 15:20pm Break

A Merchandising Platform Implementation (Turkish Airlines)

Industry conversations: Delivering Servicing despite legacy constraints – what are the opportunities

Reviewing "the Parking lot"

Open Q&A

17:00pm Close day 1

17:30 Airline session in Bale

9:00 Welcome Back

Variations in Industry Implementations

Workflows & Data Elements in 21.3

Industry conversations (Achieving consistency)

10:30-10:55 Break

Servicing in NDC - Part 2

Self-service voluntary changes (LHG, Travix)

12:30-13:50pm Lunch

Interlining in NDC

Airline – partner setup best practice (LATAM, Finnair, AFKL)

Industry conversations (Setup impacts to implementation)

15:00 – 15:20 Break

Setup conversations impacting payment and settlement

Your Implementation Takeaways and next Steps

Resources, next events

17:00 Close day 2



Industry NDC Adoption Reality Check and Implementing with the End in View

Shaunelle Harris Drake, IATA Ionut Badea, IATA Sebastian Touraine, IATA



NDC adoption reality check and implementing with the end in view – industry perspectives



NDC Adoption

- # NDC Transactions
- Industry adoption
- Headwinds and Tailwinds



Our Industry Realities

- Ref Architecture
- "The wrapper"
- Use case examples



The End Game

- A new workflow
- Offers & Orders only
- Transition



Thank you



Room introductions

Implementation Headwinds and Tailwinds



Airline Retailing Adoption

Headwinds

- 1. Limited large player readiness
- 2. Implementation variations
- 3. Standard readiness for transition
- 4. "Legacy"
- 5. Investment for the transformation

Tailwinds

- 1. More joint up conversations
- 2. Gearing up for 21.3 and beyond
- 3. New entrants in the landscape
- 4. More airlines showcasing value
- 5 More airline team connectedness

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Achieving implementation convergence

Addressing technical adoption topics impacting interoperability

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CONVENSATIONS

Augmenting readiness of large players

Encouraging transparent roadmaps, having joint-up stakeholder conversations

Achieving Industry mindset shifts

Achieving the retail mindset, customer-first & value creation vs. tech at industry level

New entrants "Legacy" Airlines showcasing value. More joint un conversations

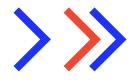
Delivering retail value leveraging value enablers

- Live airlines maximize value, non-live airlines start better
- Payment, settlement, sustainability, accessibility, other content differentiation

More sirling team connectedness More sirlings showessing value



Today's forum addresses Airline Retailing within today's legacy constraints









LET US SHARE WHAT IS **WORKING WELL**

WE MAY NEED TO RAISE GAPS OR CHANGE REQUESTS TO THE STANDARD

OR PLACE ITEMS IN THE "PARKING LOT"

NO SUITABLE ANSWER, NO TIME TO ANSWER INDUSTRY TOPIC E.G. LEGACY CONSTRAINT



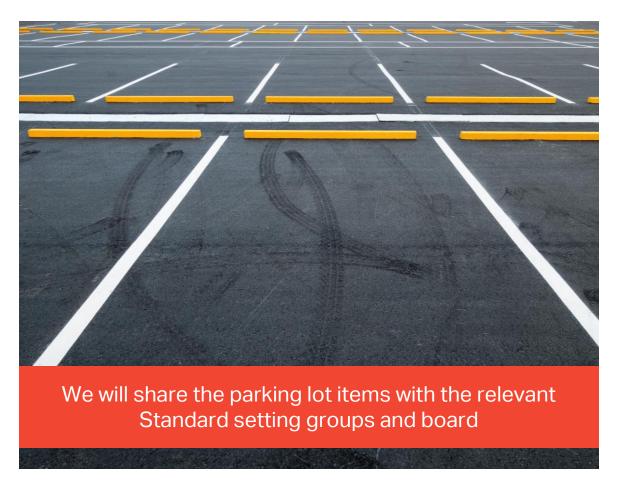
It goes in the Parking Lot

No suitable answer

Not enough time to answer

Goes beyond individual implementation e.g.

- Legacy constraint
- Industry constraint





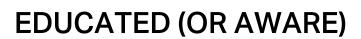
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Implementation Guidance







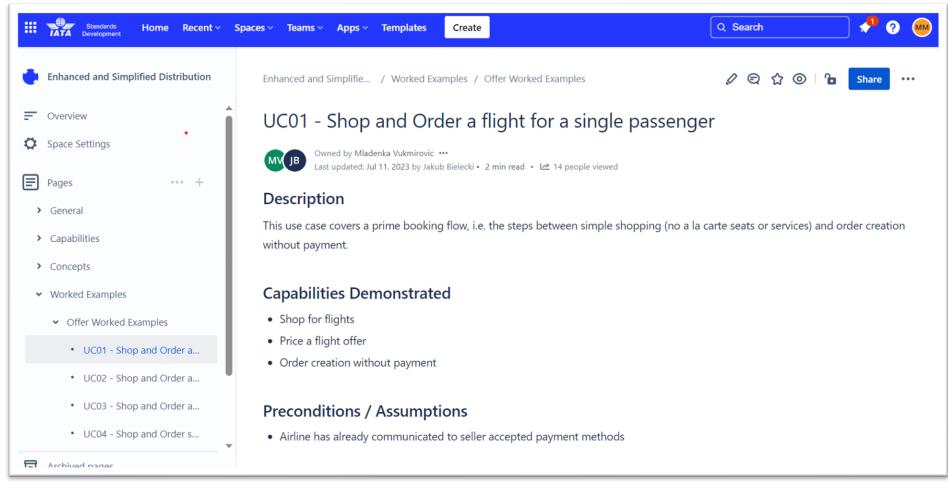
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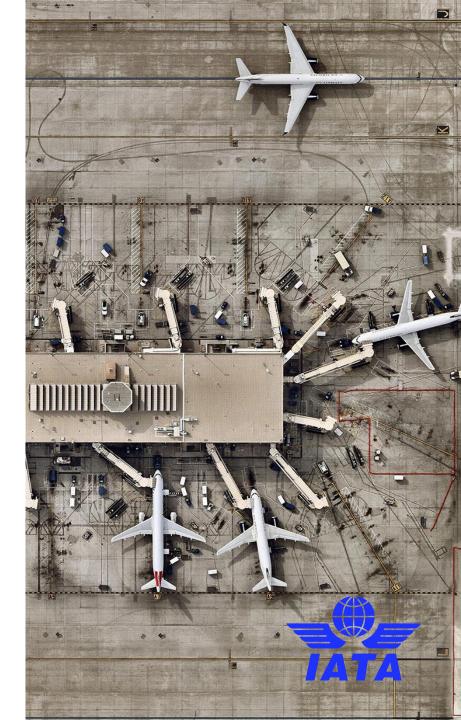
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Document Types

- Introduction
- Capabilities
- Concepts
- Worked Examples
 - + XMLs

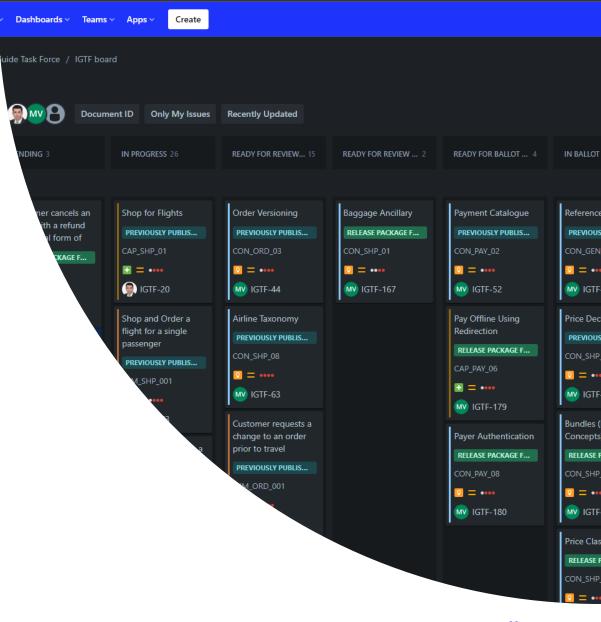
Document Categories

- Shop
- Order
- Pay
- Legacy
- General



Recent changes to review of baseline scope

- Item-by-item review & refactoring of content & quality
- Introduction of JIRA as progress management platform
 - Progress management
 - Collaboration
 - Transparency + reporting
- Simplified document templates





Working Groups Involved in Development

Business requirements

Offer and Order Working Group (OOWG) Order Payment Working Group (OPWG) Order Accounting
Working Group
(OAWG)

Solution design

Implementation Guide Task Force

XML Focus group



Implementation Guide – live highlights

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- Standard Flows
- Capability: <u>Create Order Without</u> <u>Payment</u>
- Concept: <u>Price Decimals</u>
- Worked example: <u>UC01 Shop</u> and Order a flight for a single passenger



Upcoming in the next Imp Guide release

- Offers (Offer Concept)
- Baggage Ancillary
- Shop and Order a flight for a single passenger
- Customer Views Their Order
- Order Versioning

- XML Samples Order Management (EXM_ORD_019)
- XML Samples Offer Management (EXM_SHP_001)



How can you contribute?

- Anyone can submit a proposal to enhance or correct the Implementation Guide.
- All IATA Members and Strategic Partners can <u>actively</u> contribute in working groups reviewing proposals and developing content





How to propose a change?

- Complete a simple agenda item
- 2. Refer it to IATA Secretary of relevant Working Group (or standards@iata.org)

Subject: [Title of agenda item]

Submitted by: [Name, Organization (email)]

Background

[Provide necessary context to understand why the agenda item is being submitted and why to this group. Refer to ToR of the group if needed]

Business need

[Describe the business need that needs to be met including timeline if possible. If the business need concerns [legacy standard, provide clarification of business necessity such as a change of government regulation]

Proposed solution

[Provide here those elements of the solution that are already known including options that may need to be considered.

For change requests and, if known, specify which artifacts are impacted by the proposed change such as

- Proposed change in Implementation guide (what section, what should be added/changed/removed);



Upcoming meetings

Groups working in business requirements

- OOWG F2F Mtg, 8-9 Sep (GVA)
- OPWG F2F Mtg, 11-13 Sep (GVA)
- OAWG F2F Mtg, 12-15 Sep (GVA)

Implementation Guide Task Force

F2F Mtg, 16-20 Oct (MAD)

Thank you!



BREAK





Servicing in NDC – where are you? Part 1

Shaunelle Harris Drake

Head Implementation Distribution, IATA



Servicing



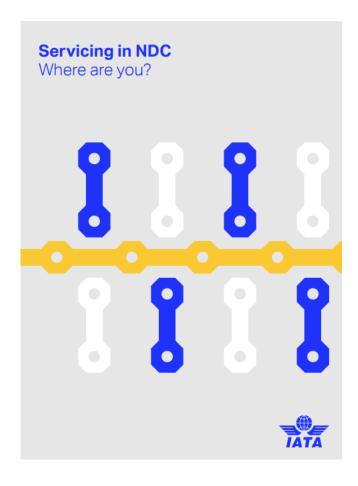




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2 Servicing in NDC — Where are you? **Contents** 1. Servicing in NDC — Why this paper? Assumption and references in this paper 2. The true industry position on servicing Servicing — What do we mean? Are there servicing gaps in NDC? What the ARM index tells us 3. Addressing the points of friction Fitting NDC into legacy 10 An industry example of value in servicing today Servicing in the marketplace 11 4. Aligning the value chain to deliver servicing 12 What we learned from SWAT (TMC Adoption) 12 The most difficult nut to crack (potentially) 13 13 Ironing out the kinks through a value chain conversation 5. NDC Servicing — Where are you? 14 14 Checklist for your implementation team In closing

Available here

- iata.org/retailing
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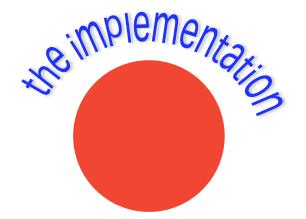


1. Servicing is first about the customer impacted



2. Solving servicing - 2 dimensions

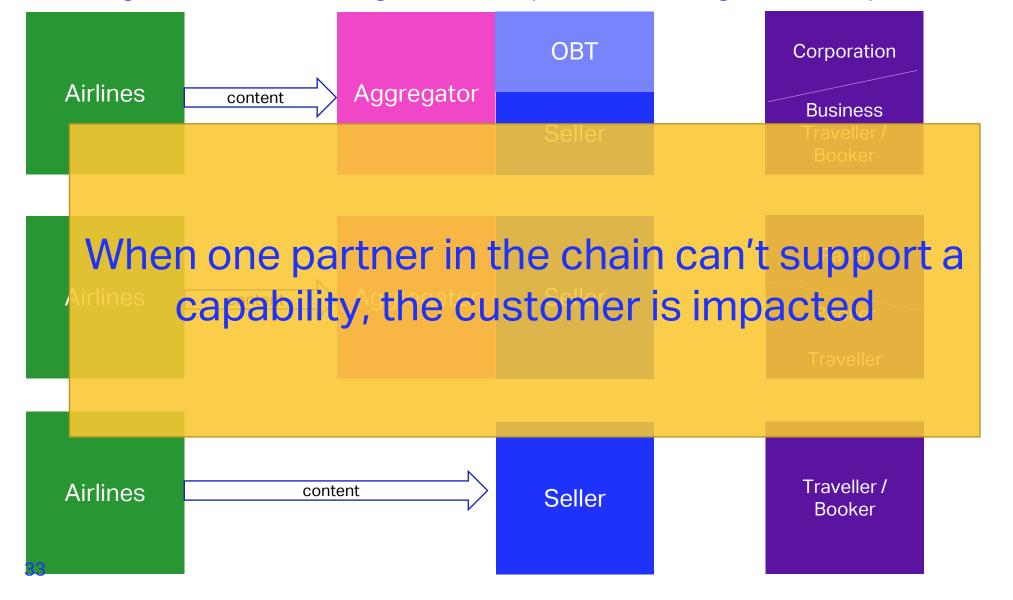






Each organization plays a part in delivering servicing to the customer

[The diagrams below are integration examples. Other integrations are possible]



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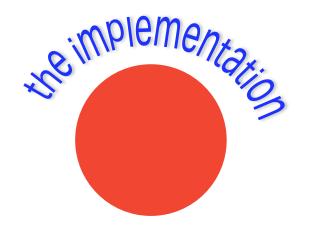
- Duty of care/traveller security
- Reporting
- Payment



Each organization plays a part in delivering servicing capability

There is a role for everyone in the value chain

Your implementation is constrained by the reality of legacy





Zoom: Migrating to 21.3 and beyond

Verteil and IBS present their migration experience



Schema migration







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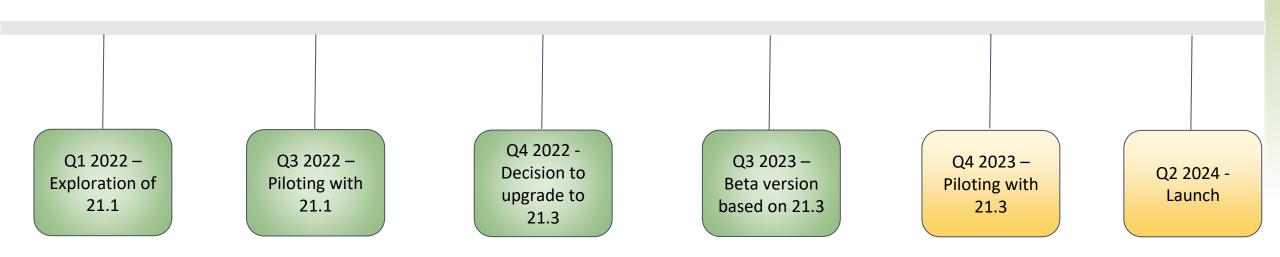
About Verteil Technologies

- Provider of NDC based Distribution Technology to Airlines & Travel Sellers globally, from 2016.
- HQ & Dev Centre based in Kochi, India. Significant Domain Experience in Airline Travel Tech.
- Working with 40+ Airlines & Travel Sellers in 15+ geographies.
- Solution Offering to Travel Sellers:
 NDC based Booking Tool & APIs.
- Solution Offering to Airlines: NDC Aggregation Services, NDC Agency Booking Tool, NDC Payment & Settlement Solution.





21.3 Transition









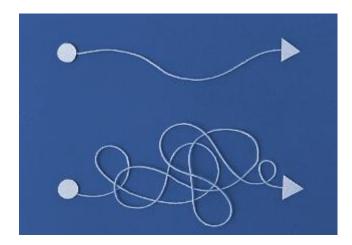
Sharing Key Highlights from our implementation experience.

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Natural Element Structures

- Easier Interpretation
 - Faster airline onboarding.
 - o Faster seller API integration.
- Examples to follow in coming slides



Fare rules

NDC 17.2 NDC 21.3

Reshop Differential

NDC 17.2

```
<ReshopDifferential>
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```

NDC 21.3

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Documentation

- Verteil's use cases for referring documentation
 - O Upgrading NDC airline to 21.3 version of NDC
 - o Design Verteil's Universal API based on NDC 21.3
- Overview of the messages
 - Workflow of messages.
 - o Usage of messages.
- Understand concepts
 - o Remove misconceptions.
 - Normalise interpretation



PriceClassList usage

Airline Implementation

```
<ns2:Desc>
   <ns2:DescID>BAGGAGEALLOWANCE CARRYON</ns2:DescID>
   <ns2:DescText>0 pc</ns2:DescText>
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   <ns2:DescText>Not permitted</ns2:DescText>
</ns2:Desc>
<ns2:Desc>
   <ns2:DescID>CHECKBAGDETAILS
   <ns2:DescText>23 kg (50 lb) / 158 cm (62 in)</ns2:DescText>
```

IATA Documentation Snippet

Price Classes



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Overview

A Price Class is a retailing element that showcases a branding or commercial naming of the overall level of service of an Offer, PaxJourney or FareComponent. It is a simplified description of the benefits (or specificities, including lack of benefits) meant to be shown to the traveller to improve transparency and ease disclosure of the product properties.



Feature Shopping using Taxonomy Structures

- Verteil took advantage of implementing Taxonomy feature in 21.3
 - Product can be uniquely identified in RQ and RS using machine readable codes rather than using descriptions
- Verteil's capability
 - The implementation is adapted for the seller to requested based on taxonomy E.g. Fully refundable offers, Free seat etc.



Additional Checked baggage in ServiceList

Airline Implementation-1

Airline Implementation-2

Taxonomy ID	Parent ID	Name	Description
1450	13EC	Bag	Any Product or Service which denotes the same of a standard bag





Learnings from migration to 21.3: A holistic shift to Offers and Orders

AGENDA



Introduction and context setting

Migration and go-live with 21.3

21.3 and shift to Offers and Orders

Roadmap

Summary

Intro & Context









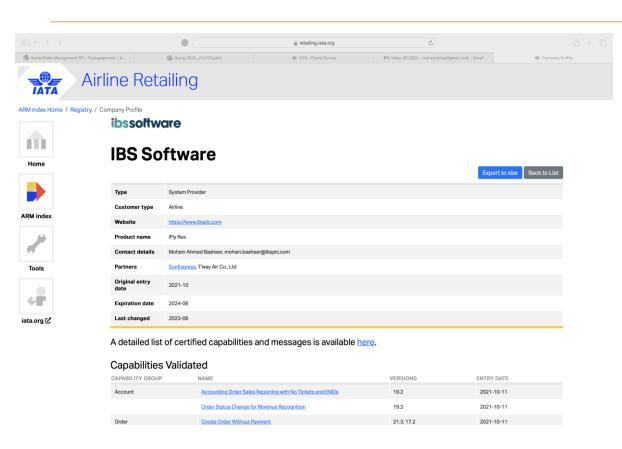


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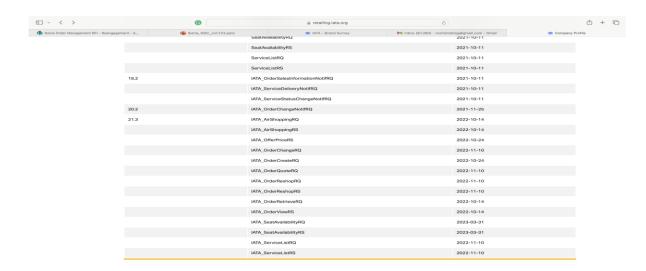
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Shift to 21.3







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Feature Highlights from previous 18 months

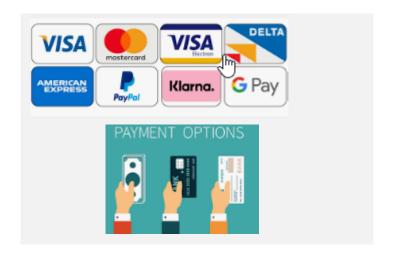
NDC 21.3 capabilities- Shop

- Shop for flights SHPFLT
- Multicity/open jaw itineraries-SHPOPE
- Shop for ancillaries SHPANC
- Use of airline taxonomy -SHPSRV
- Seat map and availability SHPSTA
- Seat map and price points -SHPSTA
- Returns Flights Operated by Other Airlines-SHPITL
- Additional Airline Supplied Ancillaries (e.g. meals, WIFI,) SHPAN2
- Seat options-SHPSTO
- Airline Offers with Localization SHPLOC



NDC 21.3 capabilities-Pay

- Pay Using Customer Card-PAYCP
- Pay Using Payment Gateway-PAYGTW
- Pay Using Vouchers-PAYVCH
- Pay Using Mixed Payment Instruments- PAYMIX



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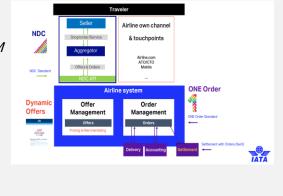
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NDC 21.3 capabilities- Order create

- Create Order Without Payment-ORDWPM
- Order Creation With Instant Payment-ORDCRE
- · Order Creation with Ancillaries



NDC 21.3 capabilities-Order retrieve/servicing

- Seller-Initiated Change to a flight only Order Requiring a Re-shop-ORDRSH
- Order information upon request-ORDRET
- Re-shopping for Ancillaries-ORDRE2

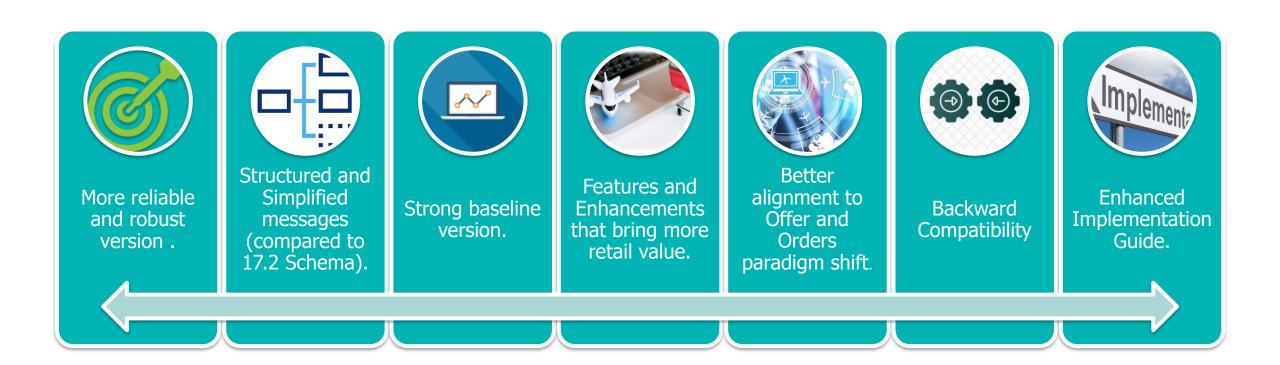




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Implementation and Go-live experience

Key Considerations to move to 21.3



Key highlights and enabling shift to Offers and Orders



- Machine Readable Product Taxonomy
- Enables comparison shopping

Product Catalogue



- Machine Readable Offer Restrictions
- Enables comparison shopping

Offer Management



- Price Differential
- Order Quote

Offer Management

Key highlights and enabling shift to Offers and Orders



 Better visibility of order delivery status to Seller **Order Management**

Enhanced Payments



- Payment Catalogue
- Expanded Payments
- Credit Card Surcharge

Order Management

Enhanced OCN

Enhanced Order Change Notif to seamlessly inform changes to Seller

Order Management

21.3 and Partnerships with Offers and Orders Standards



Pilot on Partnerships with Offers and Orders

- Shop
- Price
- Order
- Seat Map
- Seat Assignment
- Contextual Pricing

- Order Servicing
- Ancillaries
- Order Cancel
- Penalty Handling
- Disruption

- Counter Check-In
- Delivery
- Interline Through Check-In

17.2/19.2 schema	21.3 schema
Had retrofitted taxonomy feature in 19.2 to filter /request specific ancillaries.	This is now directly available in 21.3
Used supplier (PoA)/retailer (ORA) participants in party to inform the supplier that it's a request from retailer	Key difference in 21.3 schema was that the Interline Messages were found to be now decoupled from the normal distribution messages with specific placeholders.
Used journey information in request to feed the context information	The interline message has specific placeholders to pass the entire journey context



21.3 Schema Support: Enabling Interline Servicing and Through Check-in Capabilities



Order Servicing - The Enhanced OrderServiceNotif message was utilized to notify the retailer/supplier regarding modifications in the order.



Interline Through check-in - Through the inclusion of bags and seats at the service level within ServiceDeliveryRS, the passage of this information from the Supplier's OMS to the Retailer system became feasible, particularly in scenarios involving Interline Through check-in.

Developer perspective – Advantages of 21.3



Better Documentation

- Documentation with greater granularity, use cases and examples for aligned interpretation
- Included use case based worked XML samples

- Consistent Implementation
- ✓ Reduced Support Costs
- Accelerated Onboarding and Training



Simplified Message structure

- Reintroduction of Common Types, reducing the complexity of code generation
- Common DataLists object removed ambiguity of the same object in earlier version

- ✓ Enhanced Developer Experience
- ✓ Faster Development and Integration



Backward compatible APIs

 IATA assures backward compatibility which takes away a big burden from an API consumers point of view

- ✓ Faster Adoption of Upgrades
- ✓ Seamless Transition



Enhanced implementation clarity

Removal of refs and removal of metadata with augmentation points reduces development for different implementation variances at consumer side

✓ Consistent Implementation

Areas of improvement

Handling region specific payments

Limitations to handle partial offers

Specifying "to be paid"

Areas of

Passenger type

Handling Order level Fees

amount in re-quote flow

Passenger type change not supported

Pagination support

improvement

Roadmap - NDC 21.3

September 2023



- Rebook with ancillaries
- NDC 21.3- Order cancel-ORDCA2
- Support of specific FOPs
- Bundle handling in order creation flow
- Pay for an Existing Unpaid Order or Order Items

December 2023



- NDC 21.3- Cancel order item-ORDCAN
- NDC 21.3- add/modify/delete contact
- NDC 21.3 Modify passenger
 NDC 21.3 add/modify/delete
 travel docs
- Ancillary modification/deletion
- Bundle handling in order servicing flow

March 2024



- Order History-ORDHIS
- Order Notification for airlineinitiated actions-base use case ORDOCN
- Order list-ORDLST
- Enhanced shopping filters
- Cancel order item advanced use cases

June 2024



- Rich media handling
- Air shopping with bundles
- Enhanced Order retrieve filters
- OCN advanced use cases
- One order use cases for delivery and accounting
- Handling of all FOPs supported by 21.3



Summary



The API is feature-rich, addressing many limitations present in older versions

The availability of improved documentation and detailed worked examples simplifies the implementation of this version

Participation in IATA XML focus groups has facilitated knowledge sharing and the creation of more effective worked examples

Shift towards 21.3 will be key in the journey towards Offers and Orders and Airline Retailing

The mass adoption of this version must be enhanced to fully leverage its potential



THANK YOU



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What to consider when migrating versions

Inaction

Push factors

Pull factors

My current version

"It's not broken, so I won't fix it"

Volumes going through the pipe

Integrates well with my strategic partners

Migration costs

Partner contractual terms

e.g. Mandatory migration

Growing complexity, (s/ware maintenance costs)

IATA's certification

Business requirements can't be met (stifle innovation)

Availability of tools to help your migration

Follow the trend (Interoperability)

New Features

- Major vs incremental
- Regulatory
- Tested by industry

Schema Quality/Confidence

- Quantity of known defects
- Transparency of defects
- Quality of code generation



A newer

version

Lunch



Performance in NDC

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3 Areas of Intervention

Through the standards



Through your implementation



Through your architecture





Mitigating Performance Constraints...

Through the standards

- Factoring AirShoppingRS (DataLists)
- Query precision
 - Flight shopping (per-bound / return)
 - Precision in date/time (avoid + or days)
 - Include/Exclude preferences
- Airline profile (possibly helped by APMWG)
- Ancillaries as a separate step
- Coming soon:
 - Pagination
 - Limiting resultset
- Message workflows (e.g. OfferPrice)

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Mitigating Performance Constraints...

Through your implementation

- Filtering
 - Airline returning subset of available offers
 - Aggregator truncating large responses
 - Seller ignoring excess of offers returned



Mitigating Performance Constraints...

Through your architecture

- Message compression
- Load balancing
- Elastic server expansion
- Distributed network topology
- Serializing to other protocols
- Caching of offers
- API governance
 - Throttling
 - Queueing
 - Capping



Next Steps

How can we tackle performance challenges?

- Analyze and benchmark bottlenecks
- Isolate and prioritize persisting issues
- Explore future features in standards:
 - Improved manipulation of resultsets
 - Client-side offer storage
 - Asynchronous AirShopping?



Industry Conversations





Industry Conversations

Topic 1 - Performance

- Other than filtering of offers, what other measures could you take to improve performance in the category of "Implementation" (excl. standards- or ITrelated solutions)?
- Wearing an API-consumer hat, what levels of control would you like to have over shopping responses? What degree of visibility over the "superset" of offers is important to you?

Topic 2 – NDC Schema migration

The following is a typical migration approach (also applicable to any schema version)

- 1. Establish feature parity with your current release (data & functionality)
- Progressively expand to make use of new 21.3 features
- 3. Provide extensive range of 21.3 capabilities following industry best practices

Share your experience in planning or executing your migration plan.

What are good/best practices not to miss?



BREAK





A Merchandising Platform Implementation

Turkish Airlines



Merchandising Platform Implementation

Lessons From Our Ancillary Delivery in NDC





What is Merchandising?

- Features
- History

Offer Process Details

- Product/Catalog Model
- Process Flow
- Structure of Rules
- Parallel Processing
- Technical Challenges and Solutions

NDC & Merchandising

- TK NDC Journey
- Focus
- Offer&Order Service Integration

Benefits/Outcomes Foreseeable Future

- Increase in **Ancillary Sales**
- Ancillary Shopping, Upsell
- Agility and Ease in Launching a New Service
- Leasons Learned

- More Personalized Offers

Increase in Ancillaries

- Dynamic Price Alteration
- Refund and Reissue of **Ancillary Orders**
- Adding Tax



What is Merchandising?

Features

History

Merchandising at TK

Merchandising, for all kinds of ancillary services sold or to be sold in the Turkish Airlines; It is positioned as a central application that enables an agile and simple management of ancillary pricing, offer generation, filing and after-sales processes.

Features

- Presents 9 different ancillary categories
- Developed with %100 Turkish Airlines internal resources.
- Inspired by and compatible with NDC data and process models
- Compatible with IATA Airline Taxonomy
- Multi-step AI assisted rule based offering process (in test)
- Has an extendible, generic, self descriptive product/catalog model based on mature and proven retail industry models like telecommunication industry.



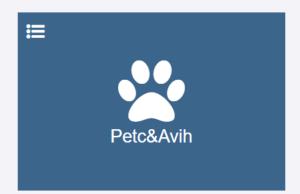
Provided Ancillary Categories



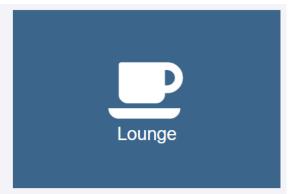


















Features

- Flexible Rule based offering engine
- Customization of offers from individual level to partner level
- Currency / Frequent Flyer Rewards offers availability
- Pricing and Price alteration alternatives
 - By piece
 - · By a scalable parameter
 - Take previously purchased amounts into consideration (New)
- Extensible offering mode functionality
 - Preview: browsing only, do not create persistent long term records (%95 of the requests)
 - Pricing: creates purchasable offer records.
 - Catalog: cheapest prices for each category
- Ancillary service bundling, quota and campaign functionality
 - By Passenger
 - By Segment
 - By Service etc.
 - · Limited number of offers (sale quotas)
 - Bundle request restrictions
 - Limiting package contents and filtering unwanted combinations
- An order system for ancillary services (for after sales processes)



HISTORY

Merchandising

2022-2023



Merchandising

02.2021



- Unified data model and screens for all ancillary types
- Ancillary order services and processes deployed

- Separation of outbound and inbound offer services(2022)
- CRM ML/Analytic model price alteration entegration(2022)
- Launch 3 new ancillary category on the platform(2023)





Offer Process Details

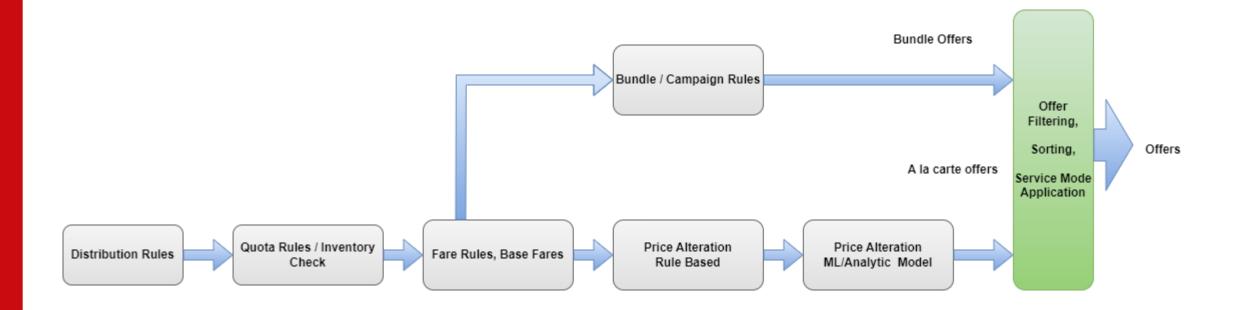
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Structure of Rules

Parallel Processing

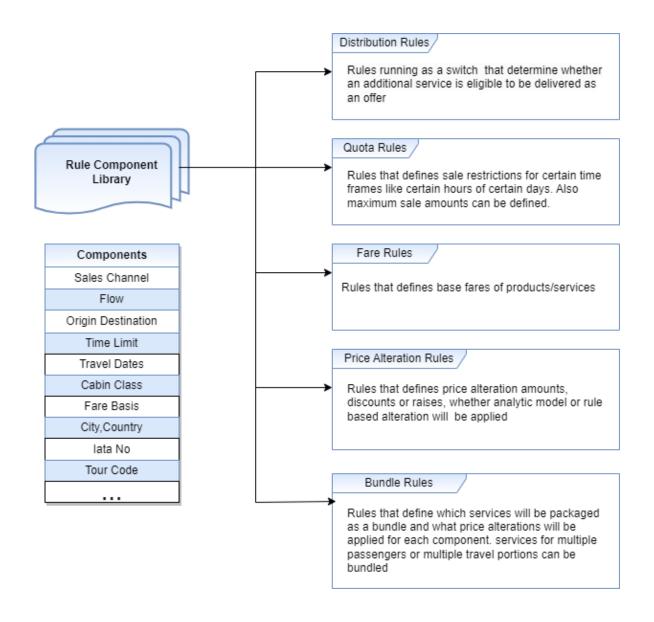
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Offering Process Flow



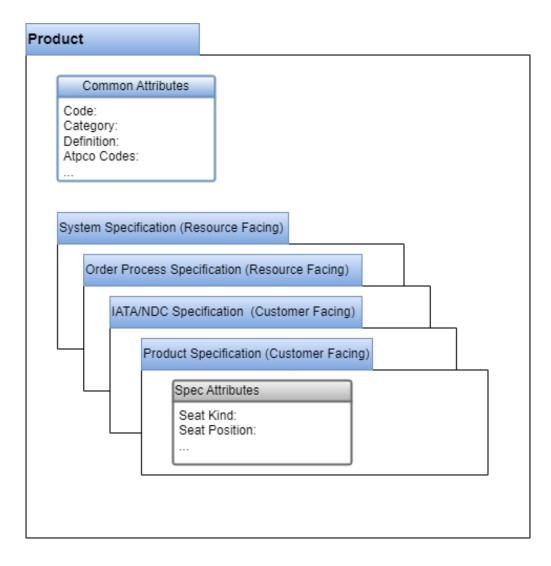


Offer Rule Library





Structure of Products



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TURKISH AIRLINES
A STAR ALLIANCE MEMBER
```

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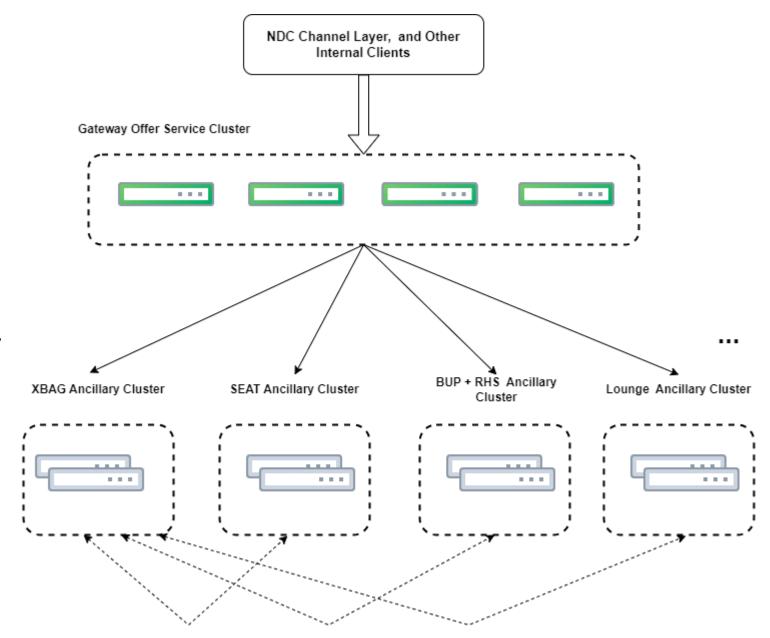
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- Shared single source of truth for both offer and order processes.
- Offer and Order related product specific attribute sets.
- Easy to modify, extend or discard definitions (ex: legacy system definitions)

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Technical Challenges and Solutions

- Parallel processing
- Rule partitioning by category
- In memory processing
- Isolation of category processing to different clusters
- Multiple category request within a singe transaction, for efficiency
- Service discovery
- Fault tolerance
- Resilient
- Scalability
- Microservice architecture
- Bundle product combinations







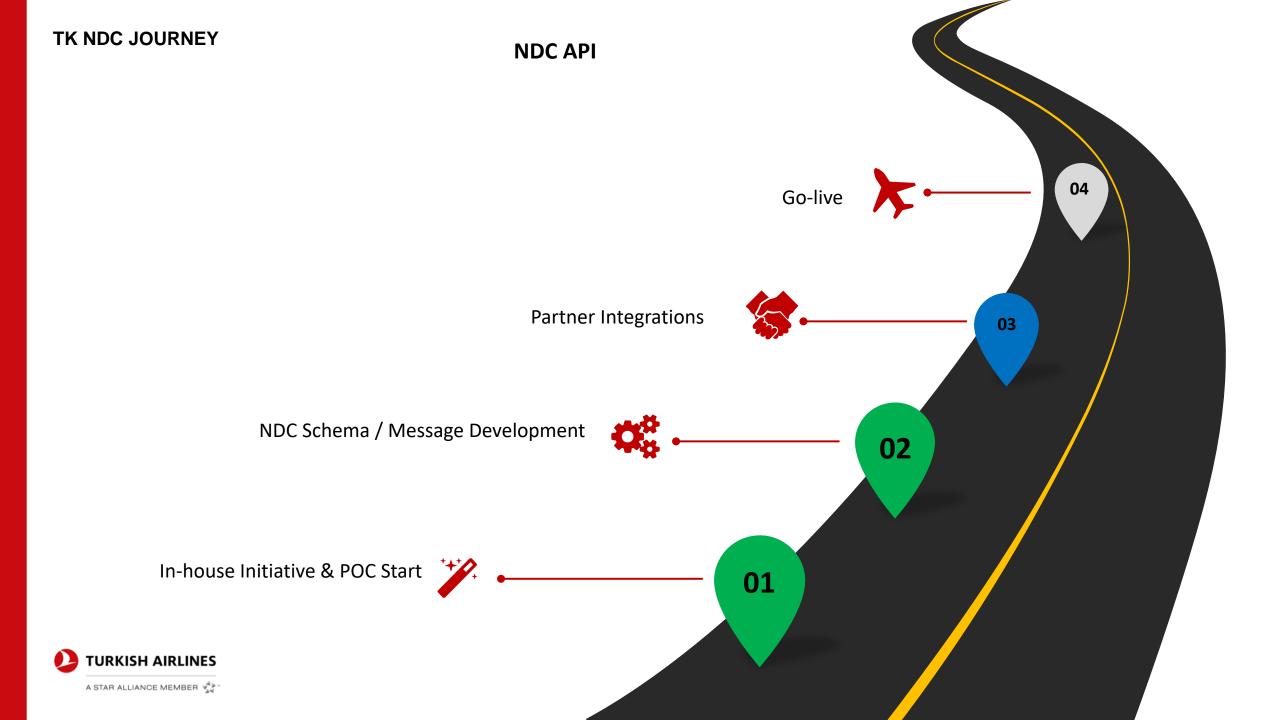
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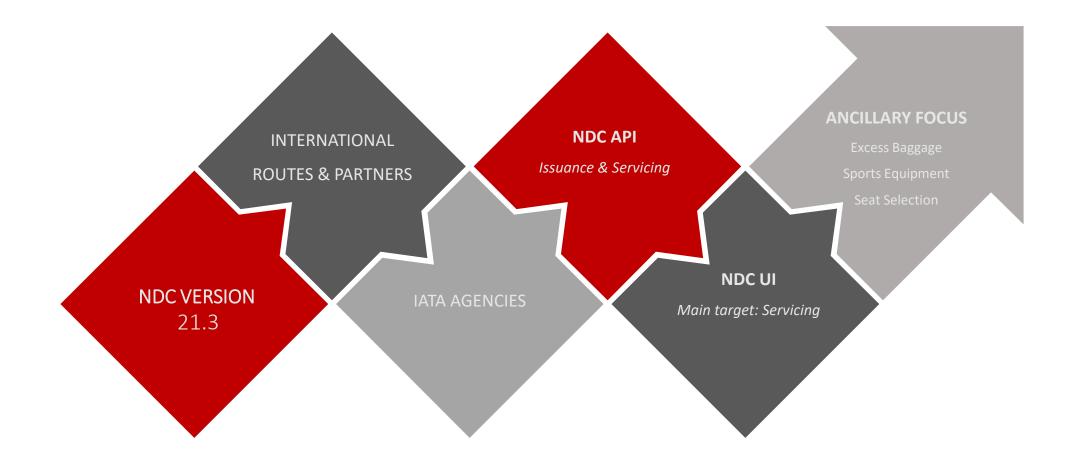
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ORDER RESHOP

SERVICE LIST



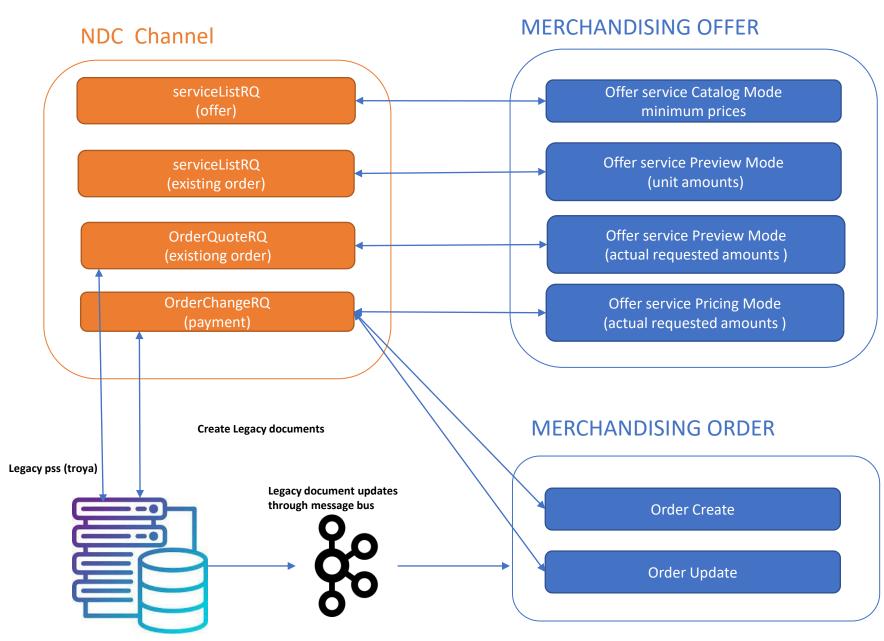
FOCUS





NDC– Merchandising Integration

- Offer Service integration
 - A la carte service offers are available through NDC Channel
 - Bundle or limited Campaign Offers will be soon
- Order Service integration
 - Both direct calls for order creation and updates
 - Also Async Order updates for legacy document status changes







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Ancillaries in 2022 - More Value to Customers&TK



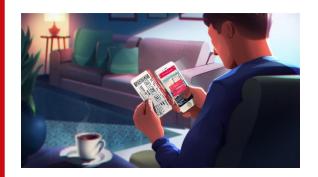
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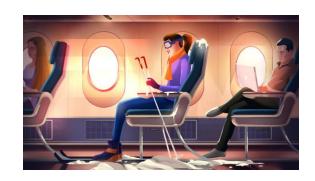
Excess Baggage



Business Upgrade



Hold the Price



Sports Equipment



Lounge

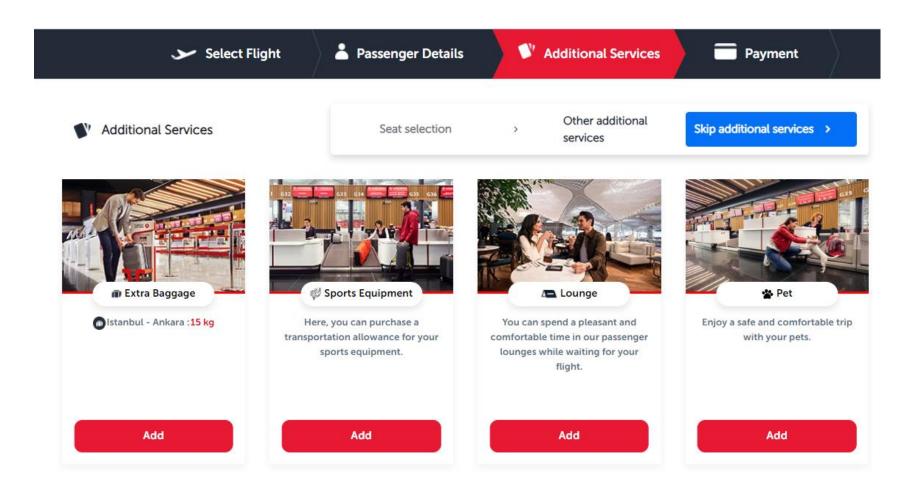


Many ancillary service revenues doubled by Merchandising.

Ancillary Shopping - Upsell (Catalog and Preview)









Lessons Learned

- Complexity of Bundle&Campaign rule creation and how it reflects in the sales channels
- Shared ownership of ancillary services across different teams
- Obstacles in the use of the Merchandising system in the sales office and operational field – the continuation of old habits
 - Manuel pricing
 - Usage of the main frame system
- Usage of two pricing systems for Ancillaries ATPCO & Merchandising
- Performance issues, response time constraints
- High volume for offer requests especially for shopping







Foreseeable Future

Increase in Ancillaries

More Personalized Offers

Dynamic Price Alteration.

Refund And Reissue of Ancillary Orders

Adding Tax

Foreseeable Future

- Increase Number of Ancillaries on the platform.
- More personalized offers and dynamic price alteration
- Refund And Reissue of Ancillary Orders
- Ancillary tax processing
- Unified External Inventory Management





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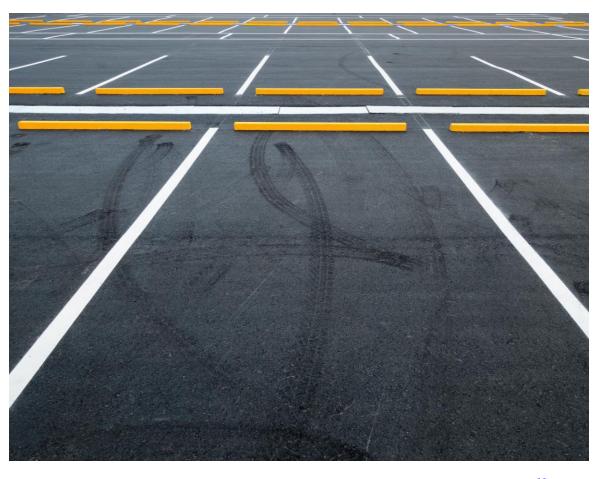
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Resources, next events

17:00 Close day 2



What topics are in the Parking Lot? + Open Q&A





End of day 1



Welcome back!

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Post-it

What are your top 3 takeaways from day 1?

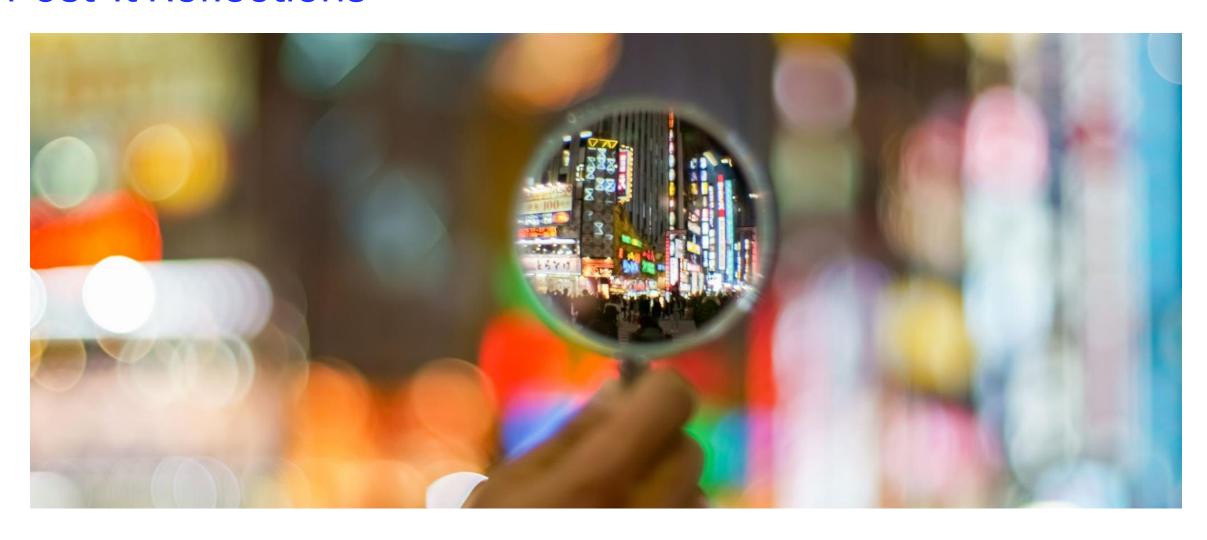
Something you don't want to forget?

Was there a different or new perspective on a topic?

A parking lot item?



Day 1 Highlights Post-It Reflections



Variations in Industry Implementations

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Lead Architect, Distribution



3 Categories of Variations

- Duplication
 - Functionality
 - Data elements
- Optionality
 - Flexibility in usage of elements
 - Flexibility in message flows
- Interpretation
 - Misuse of elements
 - Creative use of undocumented elements



Examples of Variations

Offers

- Flights constructed per O&D vs full return itinerary
- OfferItem construction per pax / multipax, per segment, etc.

Ancillaries

- Service disclosure
 - Price class
 - Various description elements
- Service instantiation
- 5 messages return ancillaries
- Baggage (disclosed, but materialized in Orders)



Examples of Variations

- Details (AirShoppingRS vs OfferPriceRS)
 - Tax breakdown
 - Fare details
 - Payment catalogue
- Integration with accountable docs
 - PNRs/Tickets/EMDs
 - Fare details
 - SSR, RFIC/RFISC
- Duplication of fare details / cabin classes
- Coded elements
 - PTCs
 - Seat characteristics



Solutions to Variations

- Implementation guidance
- Conditionality
- Updating CodeSets regularly
- API specifications + consumer feedback
- Acceptance of flexibility
- Stronger ARM index validation
- Further de-duplication of data and functions
- Observing trends / common practice
- Better visibility on known issues



Questions?



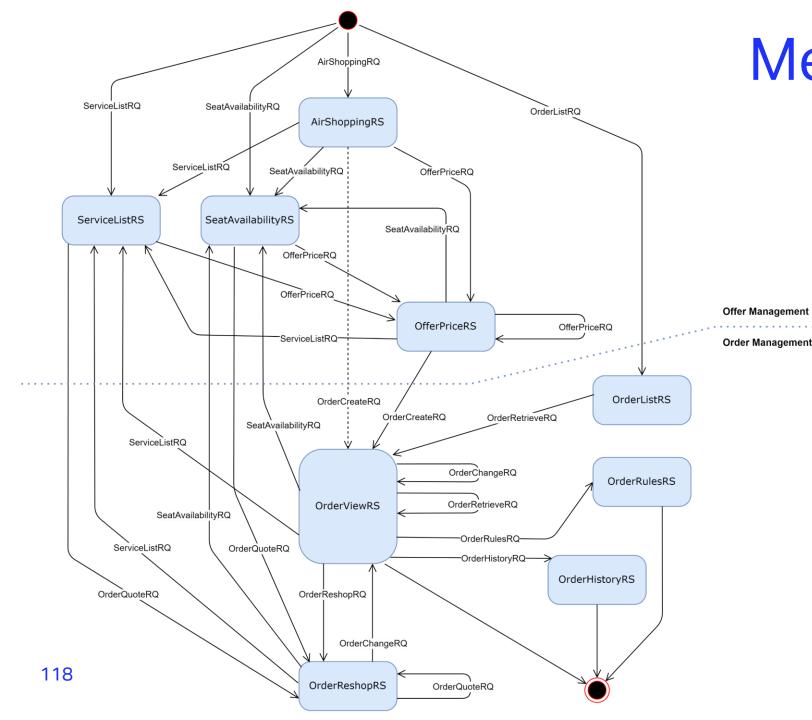


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Message Flows

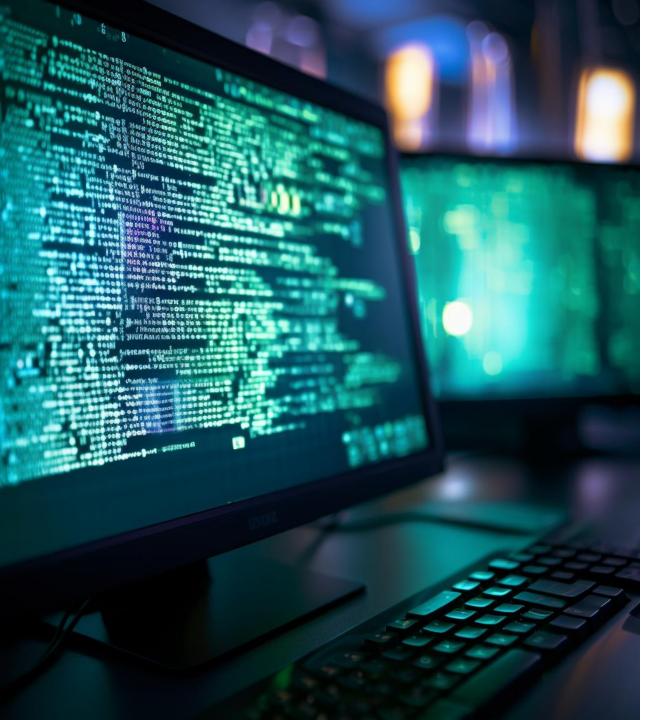
- Best practice of re-pricing Offers through OfferPriceRQ/RS prior to Order creation.
 - Often, details are added at this step (fares comp., tax breakdown...)
 - Seller can express their Payment preference in RQ, so airline can return precise surcharge amounts in RS
 - Upsell
- ID persistence
- Variations



Data Best Practices

- Mandatory delivery status at Service-level "DeliveryStatusCode"
- Mandatory indicators in OfferItems "MandatoryInd"
- Mandatory currency codes with any amounts "CurCode"
- Decimal values for all currencies that require them (reso 024d)
- Baggage weight allowance always include "TotalMaximumWeightMeasure"
- Servicing Handling multiple changes
 - Netting indicators [TBC end of Sep.]
 - Penalties persist against [?] OrderItems [TBC]
 - Payment allocation [TBC end of Sep.]





Data Best Practices

- Omit "TotalPrice" at Offer-level
- Directionality of "PaxRefID", to reference parent from infant Pax instance
- IncludeInd in shopping criteria deprecated use PrefLevel instead
- Reference to OfferItems for payment prefs driving precise surcharges
- Reference OrderItems of anything that is paid
- Consistent use of DistributionChain (Party structure)
- PrefLevel redundant in Payment Functions' criteria structure



Other considerations / limitations

- "Symmetrical" reshopping (replacing 1 OrderItem for another)
- Per-pax pricing can only be implemented with fare details
- No price differential available when re-pricing an Order
- PriceClass references only available from FareComponent
- Omit O&D from OrderView responses
- Missing "future" delivery status in OrderReshopRS deleted items
- OCN mandatory elements still present + some elements missing
- Seat ColumnIDs of inconsistent types
- · Recap of surcharges in payment confirmation missing

Thank you



Industry Conversations





Industry Conversations - Achieving consistency

Topic 1 - Variations

- 1. List the top 5 admittedly irregular uses of data elements or custom message flows of NDC messages in your implementation.
- 2. Do you make use of augmentation points? If so, what for? Have these custom elements been introduced in later versions of the schemas? Have you attempted to have these custom elements introduced in the standards? Why or why not?

Topic 2 – Following the Implementation Guidance

Review the Implementation Guidance on <u>Airline</u> <u>Taxonomy</u> (Shop concept)

- What is the value of implementing the taxonomy?
- Are there any challenges in following the guidance provided?



BREAK





Breakout recap





Servicing in NDC – where are you? Part 2

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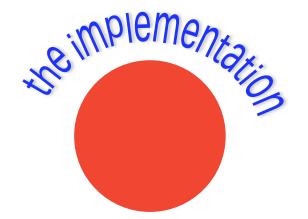


1. Servicing is first about the customer impacted



2. Solving servicing - 2 dimensions

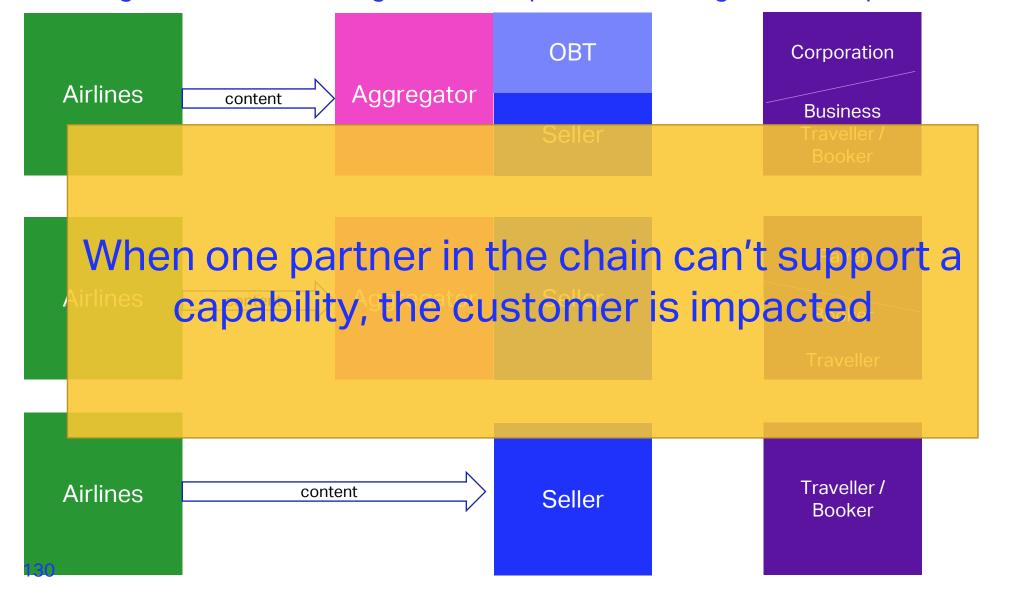






Each organization plays a part in delivering servicing to the customer

[The diagrams below are integration examples. Other integrations are possible]



Include

- Duty of care/traveller security
- Reporting
- Payment



How do you deliver servicing despite legacy constraints?



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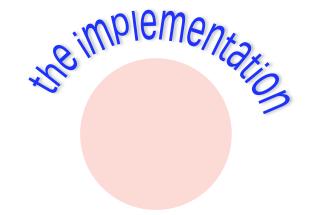
What does your implementation support?

Some features with retail value		Who implements the change?		
		Sellers	Airlines	OBTs
1.	Proactive notification to advise of anticipated disruptions, such as snowstorm, with rebooking alternatives (automate waiver policies – i.e. no dependency on manual waiver-code processing).	x	x	x
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0.	Ensure the customer has the most up to date information when you pass the correctly coded coupon and Order status values in the API.		x	
			7	
11.	Leveraging the structured machine-readable data elements to bring automation and to support meaningful information to customers upstream.	x	x	x



What does the standard support?







Transparency in the "change" T&C



Makes the conditions of the offer transparent so that customers are clear about the conditions for changing their flight.

[Leverage inbuilt coded Offer conditions feature].



Notify the seller



Support for the airline to notify the seller of changes to the order, whether they were initiated by the airline or triggered by the customer.

This is important so that sellers can stay synchronized with new changes.



Proactive notification, automate waivers



Proactive notification to advise of anticipated disruptions, such as snowstorm, with rebooking alternatives.

(Airline can automate waiving penalties, i.e. no dependency on manual waiver-code processing).



Communicate the reasons for a change



Support to inform the seller of reasons for a schedule change when it impacts the customer's order.

[standard list of reasons: code set CHT or CHR]



Communicate the reasons for a change

CHR Rea	son for change codes for Order change Schedule Change
101	Equipment Change
102	Permanent withdrawal of service
103	Airline labor disputes
104	Payment time limit expiry
105	Price Guarantee time limit expiry
106	No reason given
107	Accounting document issuance
108	Airline staff on strike
109	Bad weather
110	Service Delivery
111	Natural disaster
112	Change requested by passenger
113	Passenger No show at the gate
114	Rebooked to Another flight
115	Security reasons
116	Other

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[standard list of reasons: code set CHR]



Communicate the reasons for a change

СНТ	Change	Types for Order change
	1	Flight number change
	2	Flight retimed
	3	Flight cancelled
	4	Flight delayed
	5	Flight added
	6	Service status change
	7	Payment Timelimit change
	9	Passenger name change
	10	Document issuance
	11	Passenger contact details change
	12	OrderItem payment committed
	13	OrderItem cancelled
	14	Document voided
	15	Document refunded
	16	Document exchanged
	17	Emergency lock on Order
	18	OrderItem added
	19	Frequent flyer details updated in the Order
	20	Identity document details updated in the Order
	21	Other

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[standard list of reasons: code set CHT]



Giving the customer options in a disruption



Provides the seller with instructions for any follow up action e.g., if the customer must explicitly accept, re-shop, or cancel, along with the consequences of inaction (e.g., auto-acceptance, auto cancellation)



And options to deal with credit



The customer can cancel an order and ask for a refund or ask to 'leave' the refund amount with the airline for future use as a residual balance (also known as residual value, value store, credit container, etc.)



Communicate better about penalties or refunds

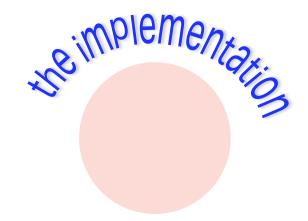


When a customer is reshopping their order, the airline can inform about the price differential, as well as net any penalty fees into final amounts due e.g. if there is an additional collection (AdCol), refund, residual value etc.



The standard supports servicing scenarios to deliver a better experience







Checklist for your Implementation Team



Personal	Partners	My Action
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Checklist for your Implementation Team

Each organization plays a part in delivering servicing capability

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DiscussionWhat conversations have you had?

What other conversations are necessary for servicing in the context of legacy?

What are the opportunities to deliver Servicing despite legacy constraints?



Thank you



Self-Service Voluntary Changes

Lufthansa Group and Travix





Self Service Voluntary Changes with Lufthansa Group & Travix

IATA Retailing Implementation Forum

Geneva, September 6th 2023















About Travix













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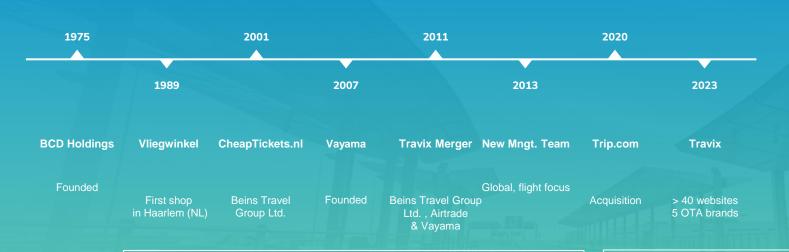
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2 NDC Aggregators & Tech Providers

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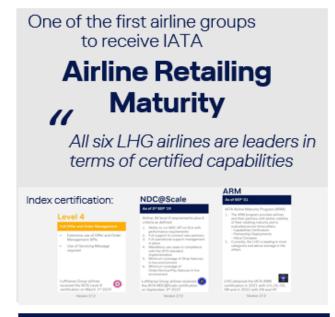
travelfusion



18 carriers on NDC

About Lufthansa Group

NDC @ Lufthansa Group











... LHG founding Member of Modern Airline Retailing Consortium





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NDC Aggregators & Travel Tech Providers



For European destinations

Continuous

Pricing live...

... & within this month, continuous pricing for intercontinental destinations will be introduced















Current set up and adoption in Travix and Lufthansa NDC connection

Travix & Lufthansa Group Partnership Timeline



May 2018

Travix and Lufthansa Group airlines announce their NDC partnership



October 2019

Lufthansa Group launches their NDC 17.2 API incl. OrderCancel & Schedule-Led Reshop



October 2020

Lufthansa Group deploys NDC True Reshop functionality



November 2021

Travix migrates to the Lufthansa Group NDC 17.2 API via their TTP



January 2022

Travix agrees with LHG to implement NDC 17.2 Cancellation & Reshopping functionalities



July 2022

Travix implements
LHG Order
Cancellation & Reshop
(via their TTP) into
their Self-servicing
solution









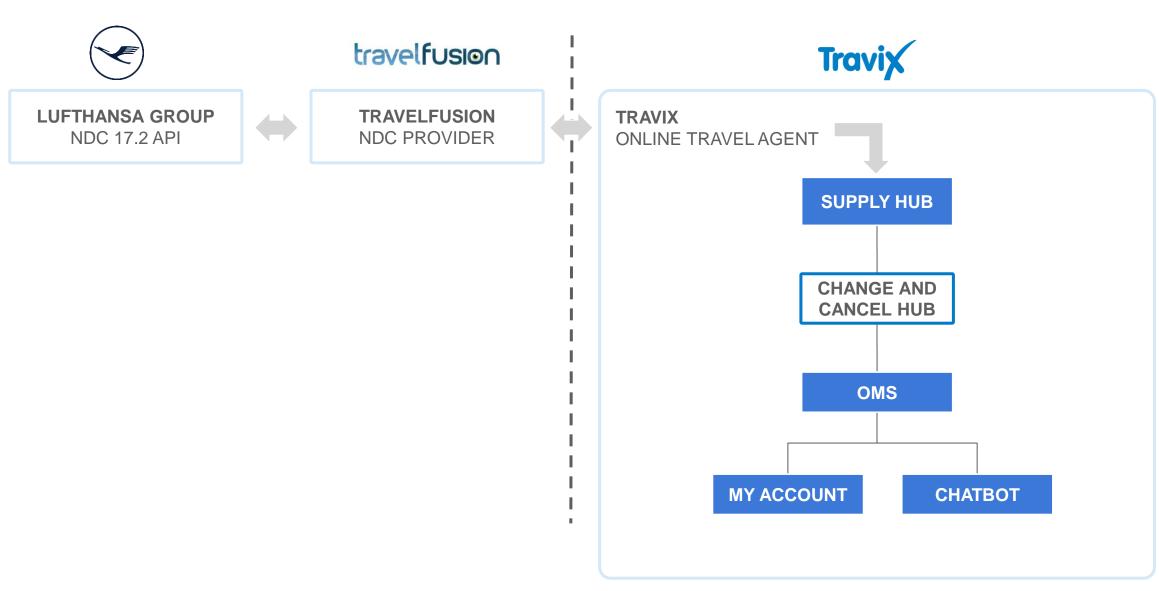








High level architecture



Scope summary Order Change

Travix

Providers

- ✓ Amadeus
- √ Amadeus NDC
- √ Travelfusion NDC.

Scenarios In scope

- ✓ Partial change (residual legs)
- ✓ Mor
- √ VCN
- **✓** BSP
- ✓ ARC

Features In scope

- √ Eligibility check
- √ Flight selection
- √ Exchange result page
- √ Change costs summary
- ✓ Payment
- ✓ Automated change fulfillment

Scenario out of scope

- X Non-Mor
- X Refundable ancillaries
- X Flight under schedule change
- changes)
- X Open jaw

Travix

Features In scope

Channel

- ✓ Date/Time Change
- ✓ Change Departure and/or Arrival Airport
- √ Change trip type
- √ Change to unflown itinerary

✓ NDC 17.2 API by Accelya

- √ Change to partially flown itinerary
- √ Change to higher cabin
- ✓ Change from/to ATPCO and Continuous Pricing Fares
- ✓ Payment of additional collection via various payment methods

Lufthansa Group Airlines

- √ Residual value for refund
- ✓ Automated change fulfillment (document issuance upon FOP)

- **X** Combined one ways
- X Partial change (non homogeneous

Features out of scope

- **X** Pricing rules
- X Change departure airport

Features out of scope

- **X** Change Orders including ancillaries
- X Change Orders affected by schedule change
- X Change resulting in non-homogeneous orders
- X Change unpaid Orders





Scope summary Order Cancellation

Travix

Providers

- ✓ Amadeus
- √ Amadeus NDC
- √ Travelfusion NDC

Scenarios In scope

- ✓ Partial cancellation (residual legs)
- ✓ Mor and non-Mor
- ✓ Before ticketing
- ✓ 24 hour free cancellations
- **✓** BSP
- ✓ ARC

Features In scope

- √ Eligibility check
- ✓ Automated refund quotation

Travix

- ✓ Automated PNR cancellation
- ✓ Refund request to the airline

Scenario out of scope

- **X** Combined one ways
- X Refundable ancillaries
- X Flight under schedule change
- X Partial cancellation (non homogeneous changes)
- X Open jaw

Lufthansa Group airlines

Channel

√ NDC 17.2 API by Accelya

Features In scope

- ✓ Automated refund quotation via OrderReshop
- √ Cooling off period cancellations
- ✓ All trip types
- √ Ticketed orders
- ✓ Unticketed orders
- √ Exchanged orders
- ✓ Orders including ancillaries
- ✓ Refunds on partially flown itinerary
- ✓ Automated order cancellation according to fare rules
- ✓ Automated refund towards applied payment method

Features out of scope

X Automated payback

Features out of scope

- X Non-homogeneous orders (not cancelling all PAX in order)
- X Cancellation of order affected by schedule change

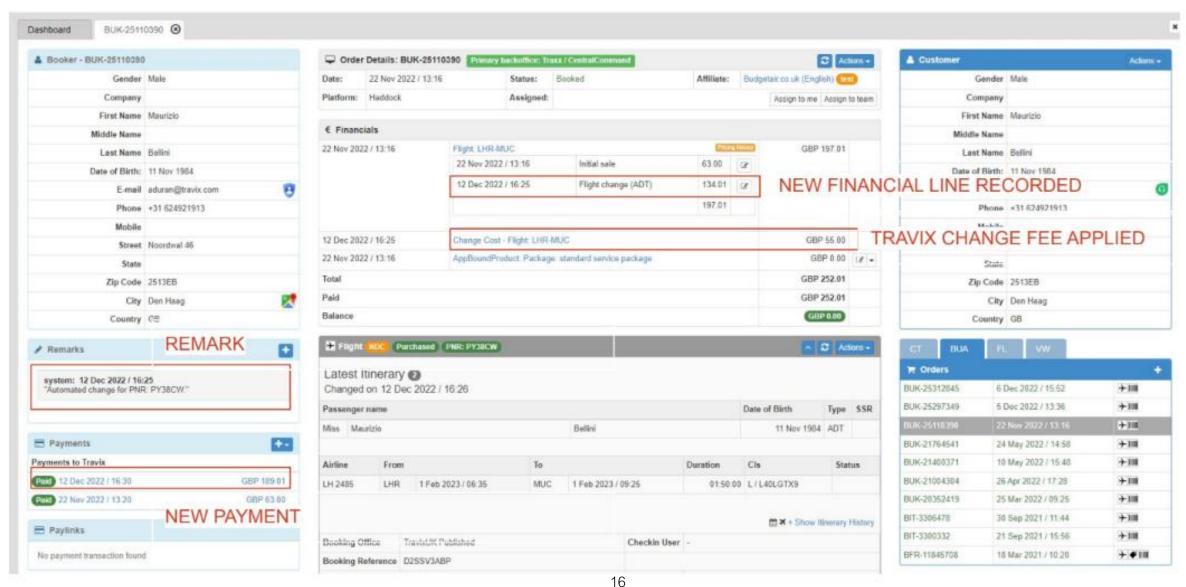
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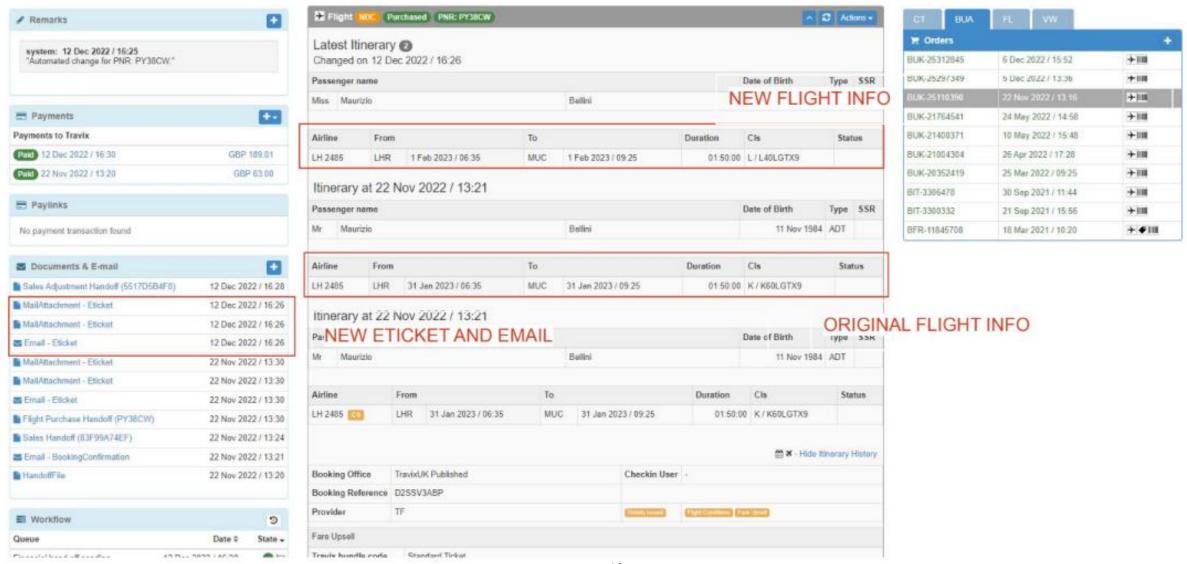
DEMO TIME



Order management system



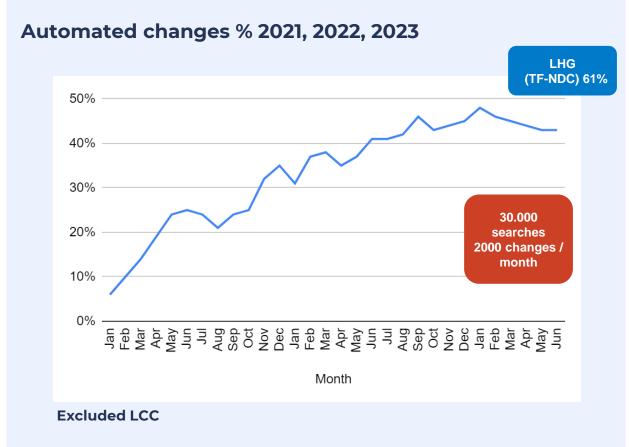
Order management system



Results, reflections and next steps

Performance all providers





Observed Benefits from Self Service



Agency Customer service

- General contact rate reduction by 25%
- Time saving
 - Quotations: 40.000 human hours / year
 - Fulfilment: 6.000 human hours / year



Customer

- First time resolution increased by 25%
- Average refund time decreased by 10% (2 days)



Airline

- Enable best-in-class user experience in agency front-ends through our NDC API
- Elevate B2B operational efficiency by reducing human errors
- Streamlined rebooking flow with True Reshop vs Schedule-Led Reshop
- Deliver the promise of NDC to enhance B2B servicing capabilities
- Foster mutually beneficial NDC partnerships

Lessons learned - Travix



Technical

- Strive for provider agnostic architectures
- Be clear on the MVP scope and scenario mapping
- Plan configurations from MVP



Operational

- Map carefully internal operational processes (ex: refundability policies, mark up/down, etc.)
- Plan fall back scenarios (ex failed fulfillments)



Mindset

- Treat it as a product not as a project
- Execute E2E if possible in cross discipline team if possible
- Build coverage from MVP with incremental iterations
- Strive to make servicing a priority (emphasis on scalability rather than

monetization)

Next steps in 2023



Order Cancel Use Cases

Travix



- 24 hour free cancellation for Travelfusion
- Explore cancel under schedule change



True Reshop Use Cases



Travix

- Explore involuntary changes



Lufthansa Group

- Orders including Ancillaries



Thank you!













Questions?





Lunch



Interlining in NDC

How does interlining in NDC work and what is possible now?

Oleg Kit, IATA

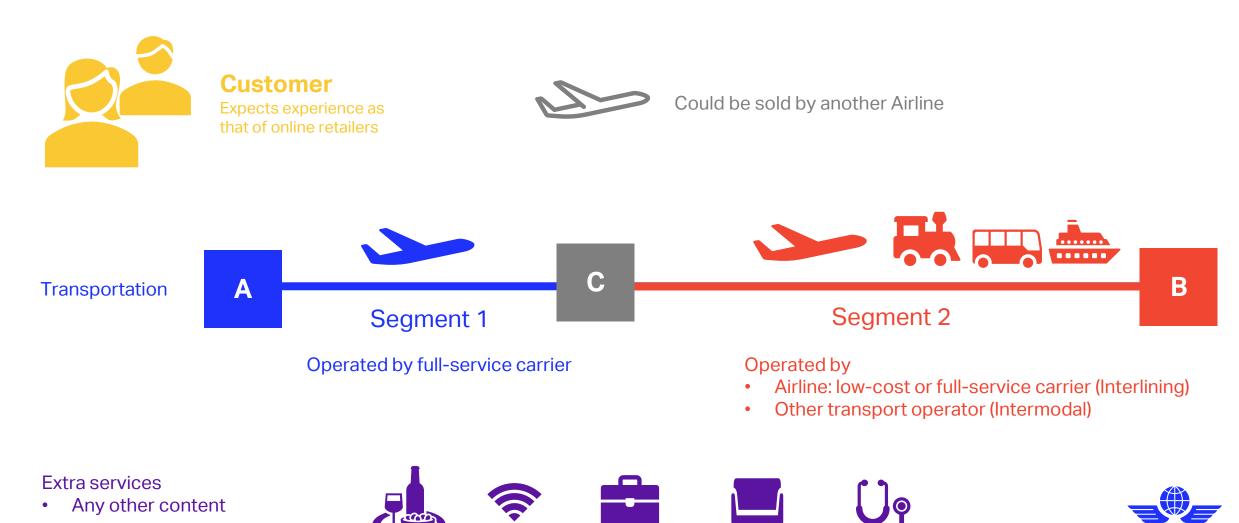


Traditional interline in the NDC channel

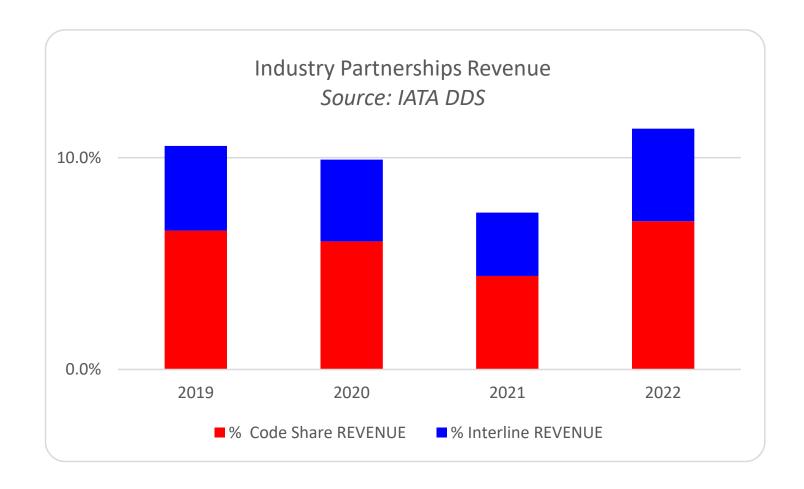


Partnerships – What are we looking at?

Retailing of air and non-air transportation and related services involving 2+ transportation providers



Partnerships more than 10% of IATA members' revenues





Challenges Today - Opportunities Tomorrow

Value drivers of the Future of Partnerships based on 100% Offers & Orders

Network **Extension Cross-sell** Offer choice [Revenue, Customer base] **Differentiate** [Revenue] **Agility** Customer [Time to market] **Experience &** "Know what Loyalty you interline" [Repeat purchase, NPS1

- Access new markets with Low-cost / Fullservice carrier partnerships
- Access new markets with intermodal partners
- Cross-sell & upsell on partner connections
- Bring new products & bundles to the market
- Offer product choice (rather than price point)
- Fast reaction to changes with retail workflow
- Launch new parentship and products faster
- Meet customer promise with delivery and (disruption) servicing that actually work
- Offer consistent service
- Instant & post-sale settlement with upfront settlement value (vs proration)
- Revenue accounting simplification

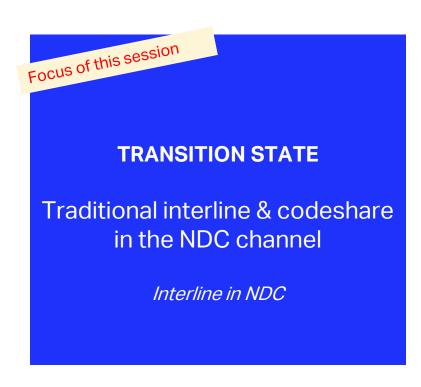


Transition state brings interline in NDC channel

While the Interlining with Offers & Orders matures, we can leverage legacy interline practices in NDC channel already now, and thus extend NDC channel reach and coverage.

LEGACY STATE

Distribution with GDS



Legacy based (e.g. AIRIMP)

FINAL STATE

Interlining with Offers & Orders

Previously "NDC Interline"

Channel agnostic, legacy free



Comparison of future and current states

LEGACY STATE

TRANSITION STATE

FINAL STATE

Traditional Interlining

Commercial agreements

Technical

standards

Scope

Workflow

- Based on multilateral MITA*
- Traditional Fare Filing and Ticketing standards
- Codeshare and (pure) interline
- Complex workflow with many 3rd parties

Future of Partnerships

- Based on revised commercial framework – bilateral SRSIA**
- Legacy free Offers and Orders standards - inspired by NDC
- Beyond air also intermodal
- Retailer-Supplier workflow



^{*}Multilateral Interline Traffic Agreement

Clarification on Interline in the NDC channel

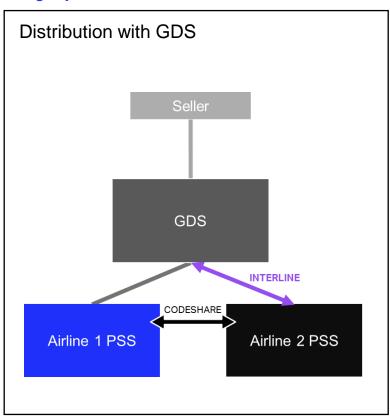
- Code-share works*
- Traditional interline is possible but some implementations are difficult
- No major difference to have interline/codeshare in direct vs NDC channel
- Relies on :
 - Integration between Shopping/Offer Management and PSS
 - EDIFACT / AIRIMP messages (NDC is a 'wrapper' on top of existing legacy)



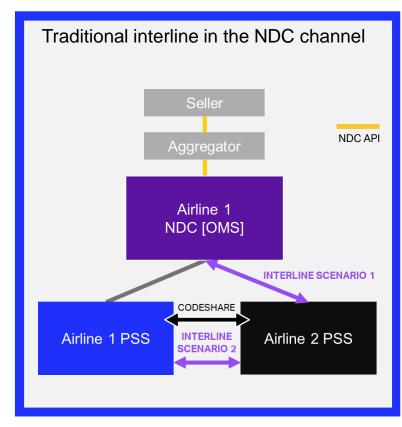
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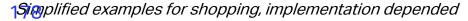


Transition State



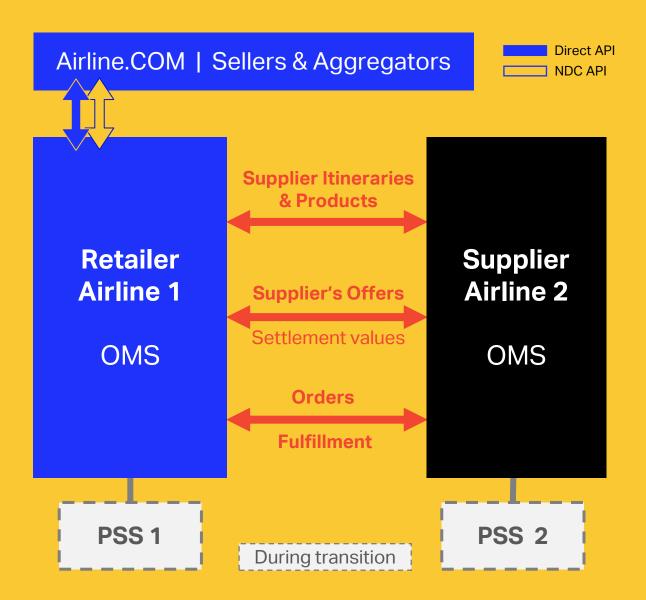
Final State





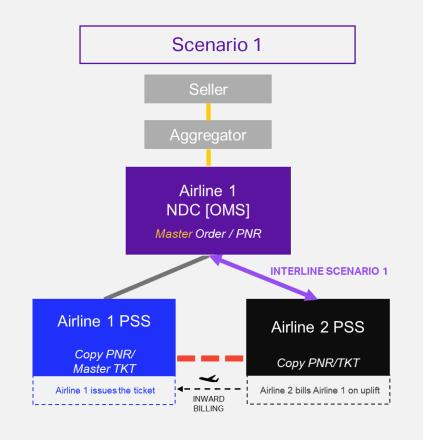
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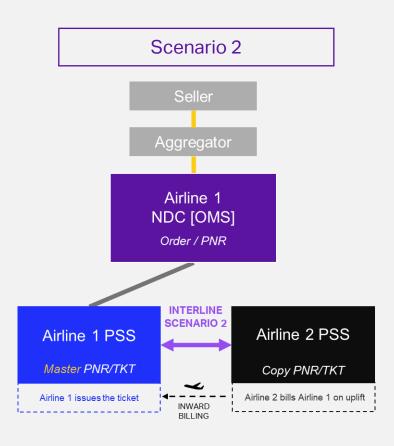
Retailer-Supplier Model



Transition State: Sale of Traditional Interline in NDC channel

Combining NDC Distribution with traditional PNR, Ticketing, and pro-rated settlement





Simplified examples for shopping, implementation depended



PSS = Passenger Servicing System | OMS = Offer & Order Management Systems



Typical questions on Interline in NDC channel

How different is interlining in direct channel (eg .COM) vs in NDC?

Which scenario to choose to implement interlining?

Implementation: Is setup of new interfaces required?

Standards: do the industrystandard interfaces exit today? In terms of core capabilities, there is no difference.

There may be a difference if airline setup (capabilities) in NDC channel is different to direct channel.

The choice depends on airline setup, there are differences.

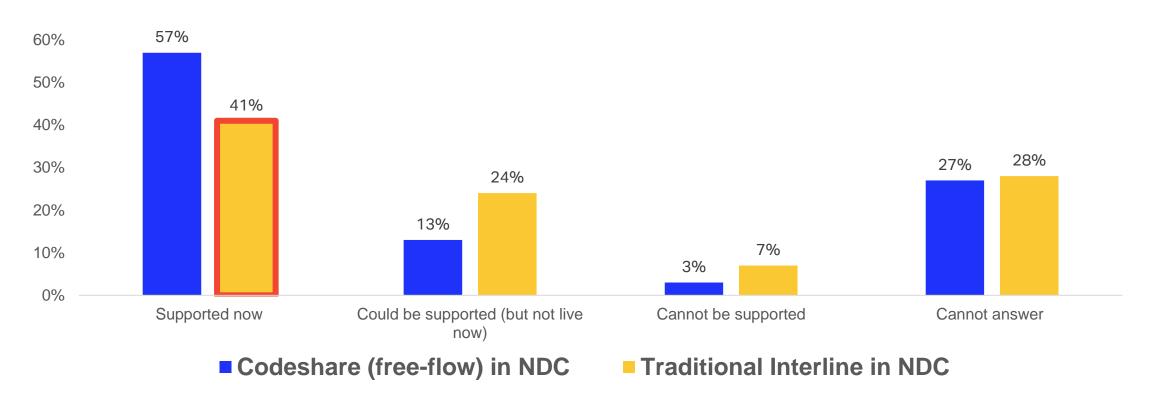
May be required, particularly for Scenario 1.

Note: existing interfaces need to be validated for interline support

Yes, for all of the interfaces.



Poll results: a large share of respondents already support traditional interline in NDC channel





What's happening now?

Industry Status on Interline in the NDC channel

Traditional Interline in NDC channel

- Supported by at least 10 airlines (minimum with one partner)
- Several airlines are implementing and few more are exploring

Which Interline Scenario is utilized?

- Both Scenarios 1 and 2
- Scenario 1
 - Typical used with a large airline group
 - In addition, it is being looked at by several airlines
- → Please share your experience



Call for Implementations

Traditional interline in the NDC channel (transition state)

- Any aspiring airlines?
- Any challenges?

→ Please contact Oleg KIT (kito [at] iata.org)

Call for pilots **Partnerships with Offers & Orders** (future state) Any aspiring airlines? Please contact Oleg KIT (kito [at] iata.org)

Thank you!

Oleg Kit

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Questions?





The 2023 Implementer pulse

Having a good alignment between airlines and value chain partners is key in delivering optimal servicing. How ready is your organization?

Schema convergence is having a critical mass of adopters, implementing a single release for all messages. When do you have plans to start migrating to the 21.3 schema?



Partner-setup processes and your implementation

Airline Panel LATAM, Air France, Finnair



Airline Retailing Deployment: 3 dimensions

Change Thinking

- embracing the new paradigm
- customer first
- value chain conversation
- etc...



Mindset Shifts

Setup

Value chain alignment

- value creation priorities
- roadmaps
- roles and responsibilities
- schema versions
- establishing technical contracts
- etc...





Involves

- airline and value chain partners
- technical, process and support aspects
- deploying what was agreed at setup
- strong feedback process
- etc...





There are many setup "conversations" that need to take place for a seamless implementation

1.'NDC' philosophy

2. Value drivers

3. How to give feedback when live

4. Contractual dimensions

5. Schema version

6. Your baseline capability and roadmap (incl. ARM index setup capabilities)

7. Capabilities of intermediaries

(OBT, TMC, Aggregator)

8. Risk
Management/IDM
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* STPOBG, /STPOPM on ARM index for example

9. UI and Display

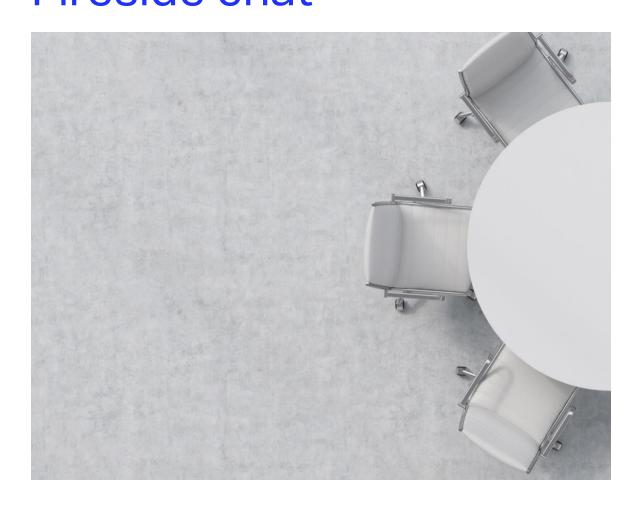
10. Duty of care integration

11. Downstream processes, e.g., analytics/reporting

Others



Partner-setup processes and your implementation Fireside chat



LATAM Airlines Group S.A.: Gonzalo Guillen Navarro, Head of Digital Information

Air France: Maxime Boussard, NDC Program Lead

Finnair: Kalle Immonen, Product Owner, NDC



Partner-setup processes and your implementation Industry Conversation (8-10min)

Industry Perspectives

Which 'conversation topics' during the setup phase have been the most helpful to deal with the complexity of your implementation?

What's missing?





Setup conversations impacting payment and settlement dimension



Setup conversations impacting payment and settlement dimension

Conversation topic

- Partnership, on-Boarding
- Forms of payment
- Settlement framework

Impacts

- Commercials, Risk, KYP, KYC
- Money flow, Cost of sale
- Back-office, supporting processes (disputes etc.)



	Multilateral model (IATA Agency Program – BSP)	Bilateral model
Distribution contractual terms	Passenger Agency Sales Agreement	Bilateral agreement
On-Boarding & KYC, AML	Partly by Airline, <u>Partly</u> by IATA (Financial guarantees and accreditation)	Airline's responsibility
Supported Forms of Payment	BSP Cash IATA EasyPay Customer Cards, Seller Own Cards, Other (in progress)	Bilateral agreement
Risk management	Agency risk management, BSP card fraud monitoring, PCI DSS Financial guarantee as per local financial criteria (LFC)	Airline's responsibility
Disputes / Liability	Reso 890x protection ADMs for disputes & chargebacks	Bilateral contract no access to BSP ADMs
Visibility on cashflow	Real-time with SwO standard	Bilateral agreement
Cash flow speed	Cards as per acquirer's conditions IATA EasyPay 48 hours BSP Cash as per BSP rules & calendar	Bilateral agreement
Alternative Forms of Payment (Airline as the Merchant)	In progress	Bilateral agreement
Alternative Transfer Methods (ATMs) Policy	Airline control (TIP monitoring & consent)	Bilateral agreement
3DS	Supported by NDC standard	Supported by NDC standard
Reporting	Necessary in the BSP to get all services	Not in the BSP



Thank you



A reminder from the Servicing paper

"As the industry adopts the latest version of the standards, not only will there be more enhanced servicing capabilities, as of v21.3 there are technical fixes that help developers integrate better & code faster, including backwards compatibility. This version (or later) gives us an opportunity to reset the various augmentation points and extensions with an alignment to the same interpretation in the implementation guide, for servicing and other capabilities."

Page 8, Servicing in NDC



Parking lot items

Unused tickets

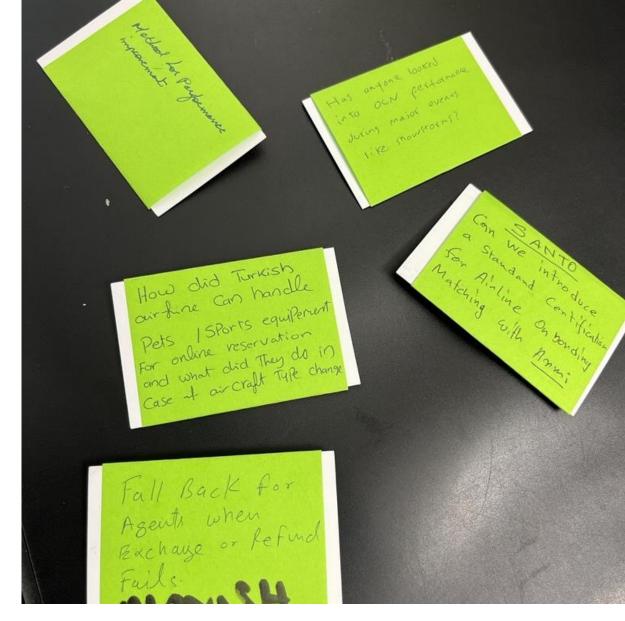
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Performance in AirShop



It was 2 days of exchanges among airlines, sellers, aggregators, mid-back office and other system providers

With many important questions put on the table





Takeaway themes

Implementation Guide

Performance

Json

Servicing

Standard vs. Implementation

Migration to 21.3

ARM Index

Communication

End vision

Customer centricity

Networking

Parking lot items

- Unused tickets



Implementation Forum Highlights

- 1. Implement NDC with 'the end' in mind
- 2. Over 40% of participants in the room say they plan to implement 21.3 in 2023, 80% by H2 2024
- 3. Servicing dimensions: the standard vs. the implementation, the value chain readiness, the legacy realities. Self-service.
- 4. Importance of referencing and following the Implementation Guide to achieve industry standardization
- 5. Showcase of Implementer experiences: 21.3 (Verteil, IBS), merchandising (Turkish Airlines) and value from automation and self-service (LHG, Travix)
- 6. Setup conversations and actions to ensure a more robust implementation (LATAM, Finnair, AFKL)
- 7. Don't forget the corporate scenarios take both leisure and corporate into consideration
- 8. Parking lot items include: Unused tickets, JSON, adoption of new data, i.e. emissions, rich media, performance during shopping





Takeaways and Resources

Takeaways from Geneva
September 2023 Airline Retailing
Implementation Forum

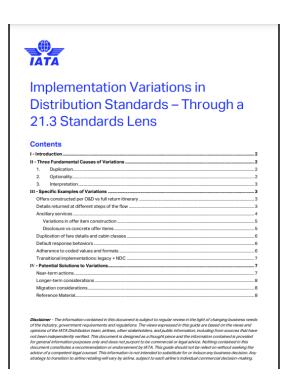
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Resources

Additional Resources

- CR / Agenda Item Template
- Preparing for schema convergence
- Implementation Video Channel
- Certification Explained
- TMC Adoption Accelerators
- Implementation Variations in Distribution Standards





Upcoming Dates

IATA WEBINAR

MODERN AIRLINE RETAILING – THE TANGIBLES

With:



Anthony Rader
Director, Airline Retailing
Technology
American Airlines



Johnny Thorsen
Vice President,
Strategy & Partnerships
Spotnana

Episode 2:

Servicing – dispelling the myths and embracing the opportunities

7 SEPT 2023 | 15:00 CEST



Shaunelle Harris Drake Head, Implementation, Distribution IATA



Yanik Hoyles
Director
Distribution
IATA



Register at:

bit.ly/MAR-Servicing



Webinar about standard setting involvement

Earlier this year, the <u>Passenger Standards Conference</u> (PSC) has approved changes to its structure, governed by Resolution 009. These changes have directly led to the changes of the associated strategic partner area. They will not affect the current fees but will change the **Shop-Order** and **Pay-Account** area names and groups included in their respective product offerings as of 01 November 2023.

The PSC Management Boards are currently transitioning to and finalizing the structure of working groups under their responsibility. To this end, the Passenger Standards Team is hosting a 1-hour webinar on 26 September to explain the changes in detail to all current strategic partners and answer any questions you may have.

Given that the Customer Experience & Facilitation and the Common Use SP areas of involvement are part of the Travel Standards Board, you are invited to register for the webinar by clicking on the link below.

Marie Massery, Head Passenger Standards

September 26 Webinar registration



Thank you

