

Directive 2009/12/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council
of 11 March 2009 on airport charges (Text with EEA relevance)

Article 2

Definitions

For the purposes of this Directive:

1. 'airport' means any land area specifically adapted for the landing, taking-off and manoeuvring of aircraft, including the ancillary installations which these operations may involve for the requirements of aircraft traffic and services, including the installations needed to assist commercial air services;
2. 'airport managing body' means a body which, in conjunction with other activities or not as the case may be, has as its objective under national laws, regulations or contracts the administration and management of the airport or airport network infrastructures and the coordination and control of the activities of the different operators present in the airports or airport network concerned;
3. 'airport user' means any natural or legal person responsible for the carriage of passengers, mail and/or freight by air to or from the airport concerned;
4. 'airport charge' means a levy collected for the benefit of the airport managing body and paid by the airport users for the use of facilities and services, which are exclusively provided by the airport managing body and which are related to landing, take-off, lighting and parking of aircraft, and processing of passengers and freight;
5. 'airport network' means a group of airports duly designated as such by the Member State and operated by the same airport managing body.