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## Croatia Control Ltd a new member of COOPANS

Croatia Control Ltd will be the fifth country in Europe to become a member of COOPANS, a cooperative organization for the common procurement of air navigation systems.

Croatia's formal entry into the group took place on June 16, when the membership application was signed at the International Air Traffic Services CANSO's annual meeting in Oslo. The signing means that Croatia now becomes an accession member of COOPANS which now comprises 5 European Air Navigation Service Providers - Denmark, Ireland, Sweden, Austria and Croatia . Within a year the country will be a full member of COOPANS. Croatia has a modern system for air traffic control and can bring valuable knowledge and experience to the group. We bid them a warm welcome to COOPANS, says Morten Dambaek Director General of Naviair and Chairman of COOPANS CSG .

COOPANS (COOPeration between ANS-providers) has adopted a **common managerial approach** where all ANSPs act as one organisation together with Thales with a focus on common success and better value for our customer airlines.

The harmonisation of functionalities and joint investments enable the implementation of an **advanced and unified** Air Traffic Control system.

By upgrading their legacy system to a **single mature** ATC software, COOPANS founding members foresee:

- Common stepwise evolutions
- Optimisation of life cycle costs
- Sharing the same system and support baseline for operation and maintenance
- efficient and effective European ATC evolutions

COOPANS has **structured the development and deployment process** around joint activities such as common specification, operational documentation, validation, training materials and generic safety cases. Members maximise benefits using common tools, methods, and operational procedures throughout the system life cycle..

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