IATA Passenger

Agency Programme

Present and Future

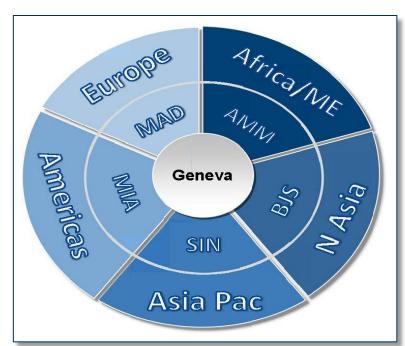
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## IATA Agency Programme Scale (2014 actuals)

- US\$ 284 Bn annual industry settlement via BSP and CASS
- 181 markets
- 59,516 BSP and 15,389 CASS agents
- 415 BSP and 226 CASS airlines
- 61 clearing banks



# **BSP Greece Meeting 2015 market challenges**

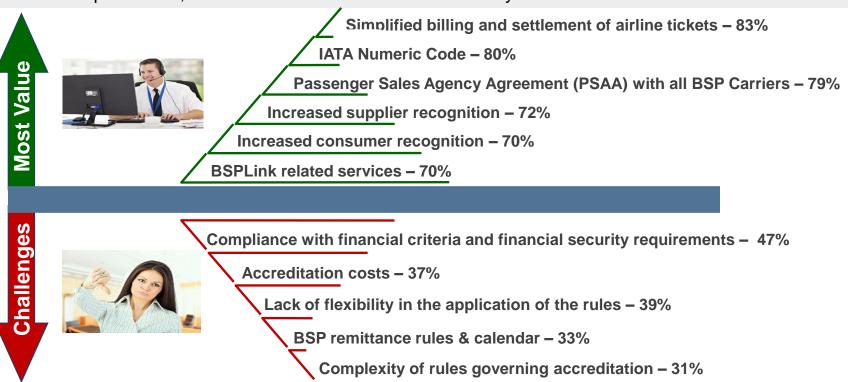
- Capital controls
- Rapid response interim measures
- Structured flexible approach
- Restoration of normal cycle





## Strengths and Weaknesses of IATA Accreditation IATA Accredited Agents

On the positive side simplification of airline tickets sales and industry recognition is valued against financial requirements, accreditation costs and loss of flexibility.



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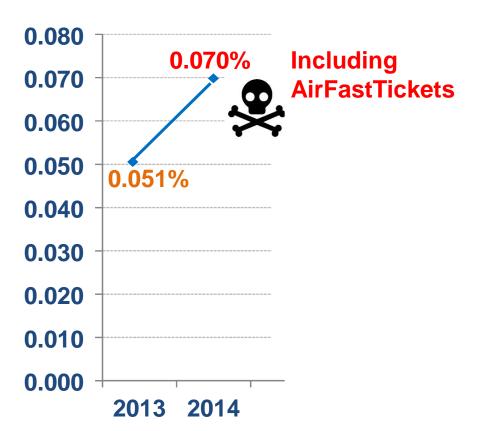
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### **Modernizing the Agency Programme**

#### Current

- One-size-fits all.
- Same risk management processes for all agents.
- Inflexible approach.



#### **Future**

- Agent chooses model relevant to business need.
- > Risk profile determines credit.
- Credit management mitigates risk.





### Modernizing the Agency Programme

#### NewGen ISS

- 2. Agent credit limits
- 3. "Pay as you go"
- 4. Global default insurance



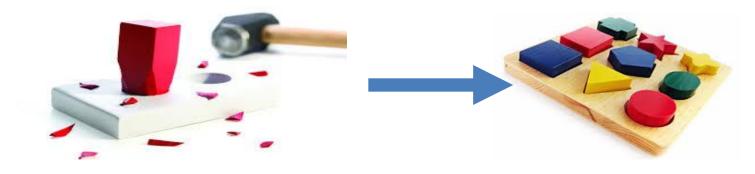


#### **Key elements**

1. Three tier accreditation Tier 1: Multi-country

Tier 2: Standard (with cash facility)

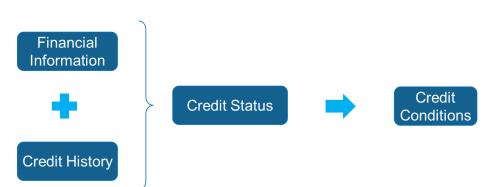
Tier 3: Standard (no cash facility)





#### **Key elements**







- For agents with cash facility
- Address today's weakness
- Safer sales beyond limit



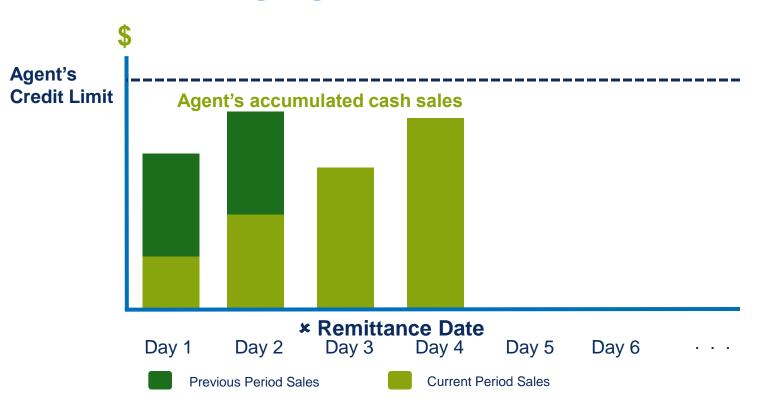
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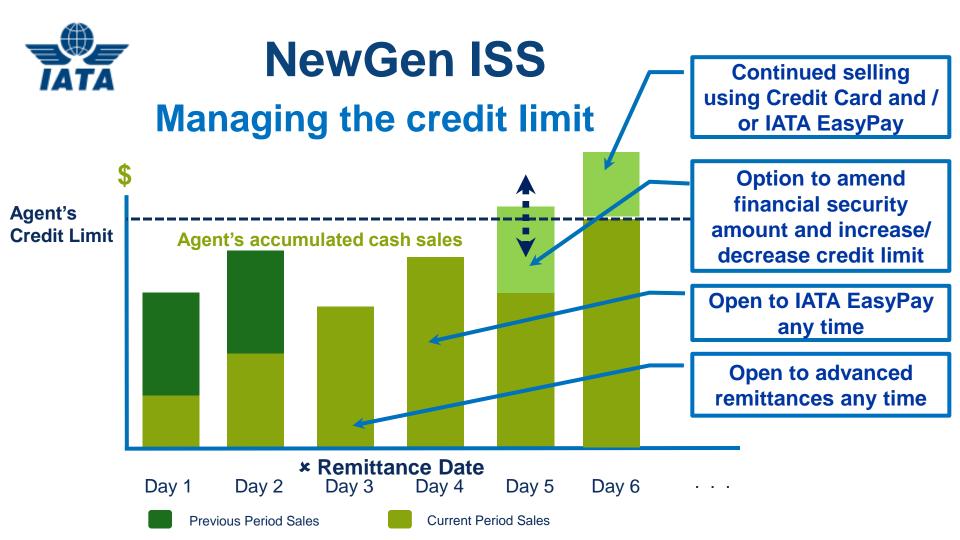


- 2. Agent credit limits
- 3. "Pay as you go"
- Voluntary, new, simple, payment method
- An alternative to cash and credit card
  - for Tier 1 and 2, if credit limit reached
  - for Tier 3



#### Managing the credit limit







**Key elements** 

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- 3. "Pay as you go"
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- New extra financial security type
- Reliable cover at lower cost
- Flexible to quickly adjust



# NewGen ISS Value proposition

#### Travel Agents

- Relevance to business model
- Flexibility to evolve across business models
- Options to continue selling / reduce costs



- Relevance to selling
- Safer selling



**Travel Agent Engagement** 

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- PAPGJC
- Workshops
- Multi country agent CFO 1-1s
- 30 APJCs (42% of BSP markets)
- Proposed Resolutions task force



### Modernizing the Agency Programme

#### Addressing the ADM issue

- Source of significant inefficiency and frustration
- ARC: 45% ADM reduction since 2013!
- IATA: ADMs are c.3 x more than ARC (over 181 markets)
- IATA: Call to action (agent, airline, GDS, ATPCO)



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