



FIATA's selection of the trade and logistics news landscape exclusive for members

- ICAO released [amendments to the 2021-2022 Edition of the Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air](#) relating to the containment of COVID-19. One of the amendments aims to facilitate the transport of vaccines, by making them not subject to the requirement for authorization as dangerous goods despite containing a specific ingredient that would ordinarily make them subject to such. The same has also been done for data loggers and cargo tracking devices needed to monitor the temperature and location of vaccines during transport that are powered by lithium batteries.
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- A [new study commissioned by the International Chamber of Commerce Research Foundation](#) has found that the global economy stands to lose as much as \$9.2 trillion if governments fail to ensure developing economy access to COVID-19 vaccines, as much as half of which would fall on advanced economies. The study clearly demonstrates the economic case to invest in the Access to COVID-19 Tools (ACT) Accelerator, the global collaboration to accelerate the development, production, and equitable access to COVID-19 tests, treatments, and vaccines.
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- Dr Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala of Nigeria is chosen as the [World Trade Organization's new Director-General](#). When she takes office on 1 March, Dr Okonjo-Iweala will become the first woman and the first African to be chosen as Director-General. Dr Okonjo-Iweala said a key priority for her would be to work with members to quickly address the economic and health consequences brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic.

