

ACI World Business Partners Advisory Board Biography

Sarah Branquinho

Immediate Past Chair: 1 Jan 2019 - 31 Dec 2019
Chair: 1 Jan 2018 - 31 Dec 2018
Vice Chair: 1 Jan 2017 - 31 Dec 2017
Regional Representative: 1 Jan 2016 - 31 Dec 2018
Region: Europe

Dufry

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Sarah Branquinho is an active advocate for the duty-free and travel retail industry and the key dual role it plays in enhancing transport infrastructure and the passenger experience. She is immediate past President of two of the industry's leading retail trade associations: the European Travel Retail Confederation, the representative organisation for the duty free and travel retail industry in Europe, and the UK Travel Retail Forum, and has also been an active member of the Board of the Duty Free World Council and of ACI Europe's Commercial Forum.

With thirty years' experience in the duty free industry, first at Tax Free World Association, now the industry's largest trade body for conferences, exhibitions and research, then managing the consumer mobilisation programme and the ambitious research projects which underpinned the lobby to save intra-EU duty free, Sarah joined BAA and its retail company World Duty Free, subsequently acquired by leading travel retailer Dufry*, where she became External Affairs Director, and now serves as External Affairs Advisor.

Sarah is a founding member and Chair of Women in Travel Retail, which offers networking opportunities to women in the travel retail industry, and Chair of Lotus Flower Trust, a charity which builds schools and homes for disadvantaged children in remote villages in India. She is the recipient of the duty free and travel retail industry's Lifetime Achievement award and of the Airport Council Europe's award for outstanding contribution to the aviation industry.