

# Asia/Pacific Airport Coordinators Association (APACA)

## Agenda Item 3

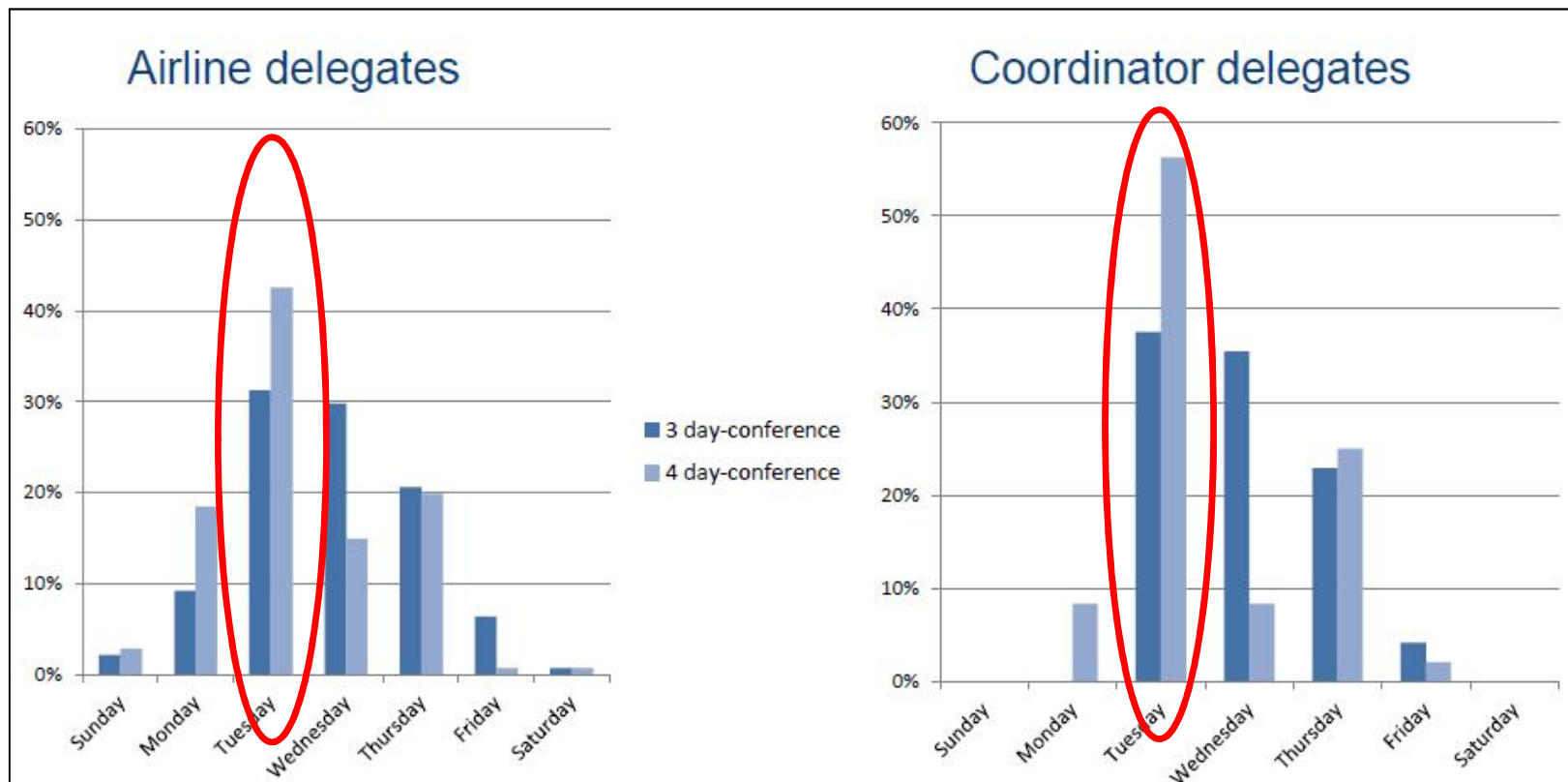
### Slot Process Review (SPR) Status

8th APACA meeting  
10 June, 2014  
Abu Dhabi, UAE

# Slot Conference (SC) Logistics (1)

## Start day of the SC

- Tuesday is the preferred start day for the SC
  - 33% tues for 3-day SC
  - 46% tues for 4-day SC

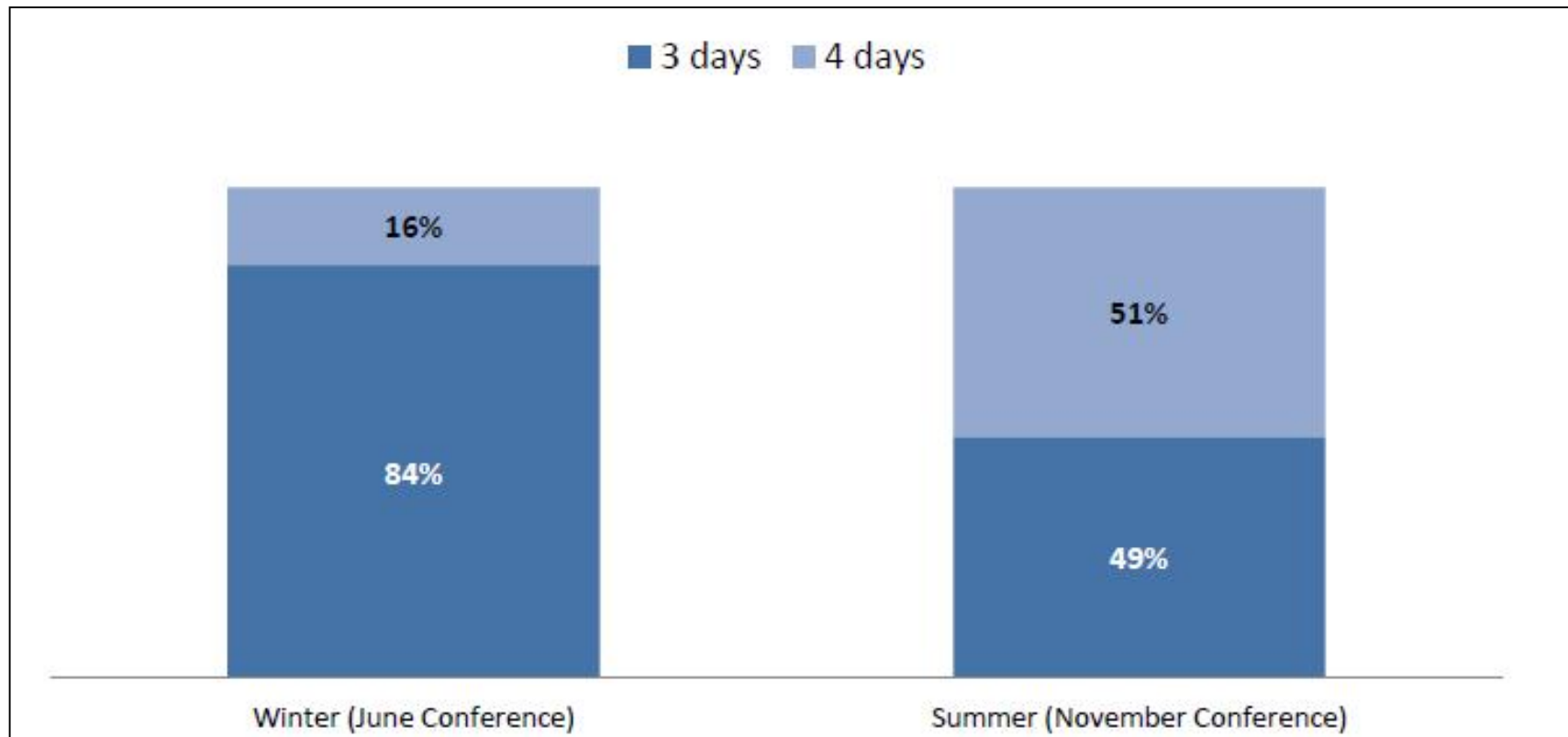


Decision was already made that the slot conference in 2014 will start from Tuesday.  
SC134 (Abu Dhabi, UAE) will start from 10 June (Tuesday).  
SC135 (Prague, Czech Republic) will start from 11 November (Tuesday).

# Slot Conference (SC) Logistics (2)

## Conference length

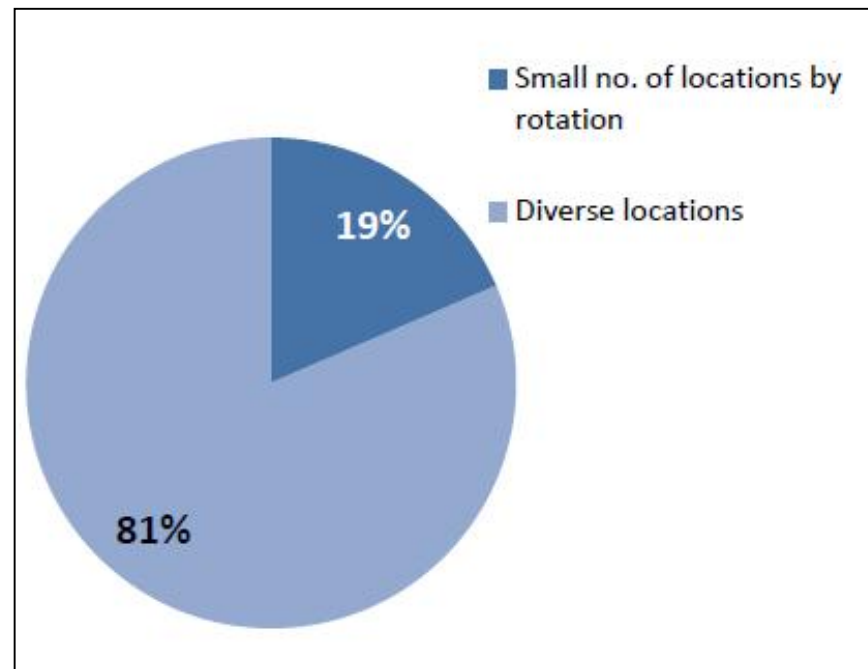
- Clear requirement for 3-day June SC
- However, the November SC splits opinions...



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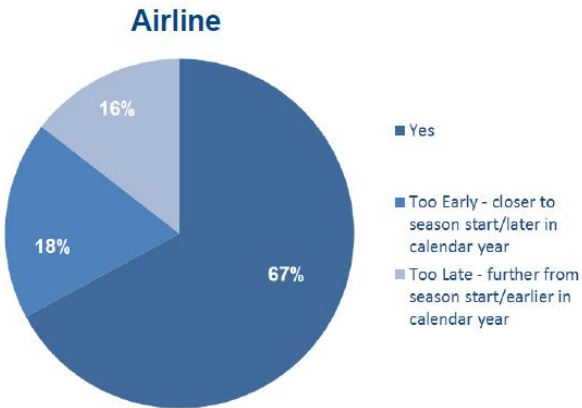
## SC location & rotation

➤ More than 80% of respondents would prefer holding the SC in diverse locations, rather than rotating between a limited number

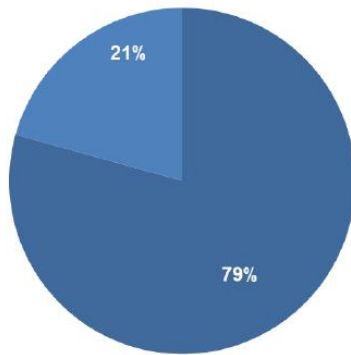


# Slot Coordination Process (1)

Is the timing of the **June SC** appropriate in the winter schedule preparation process?

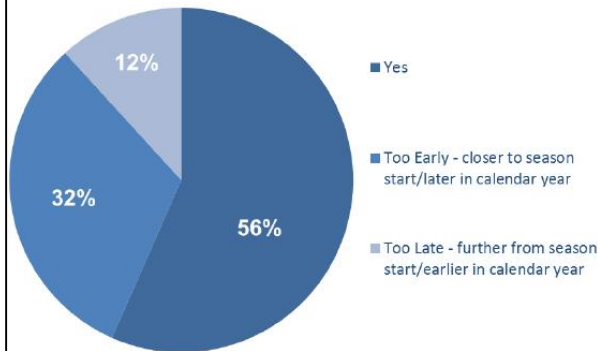


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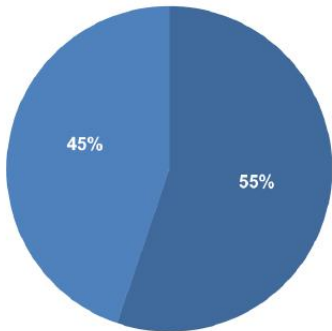


Is the timing of the **November SC** appropriate in the summer schedule preparation process?

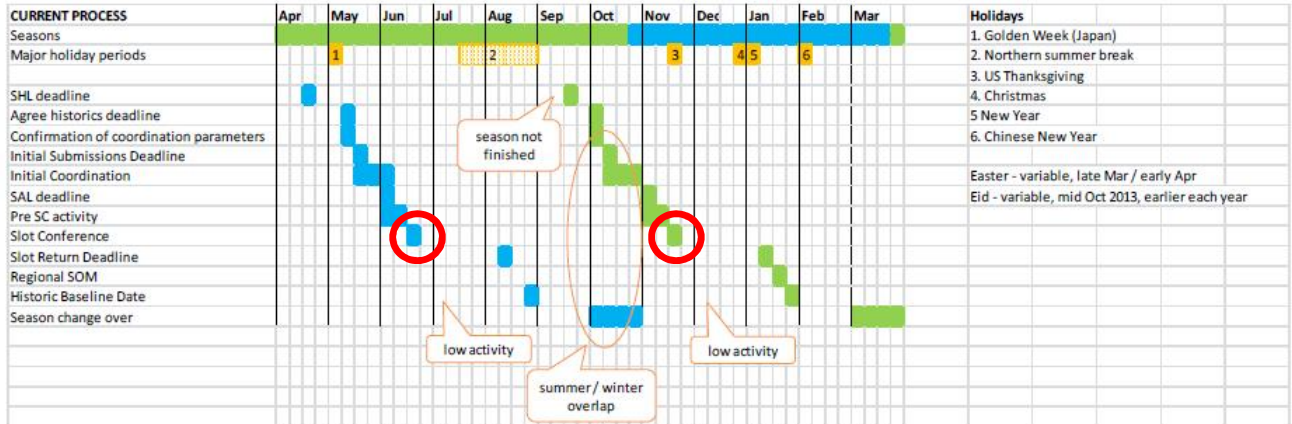
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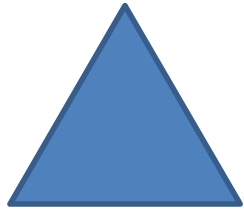
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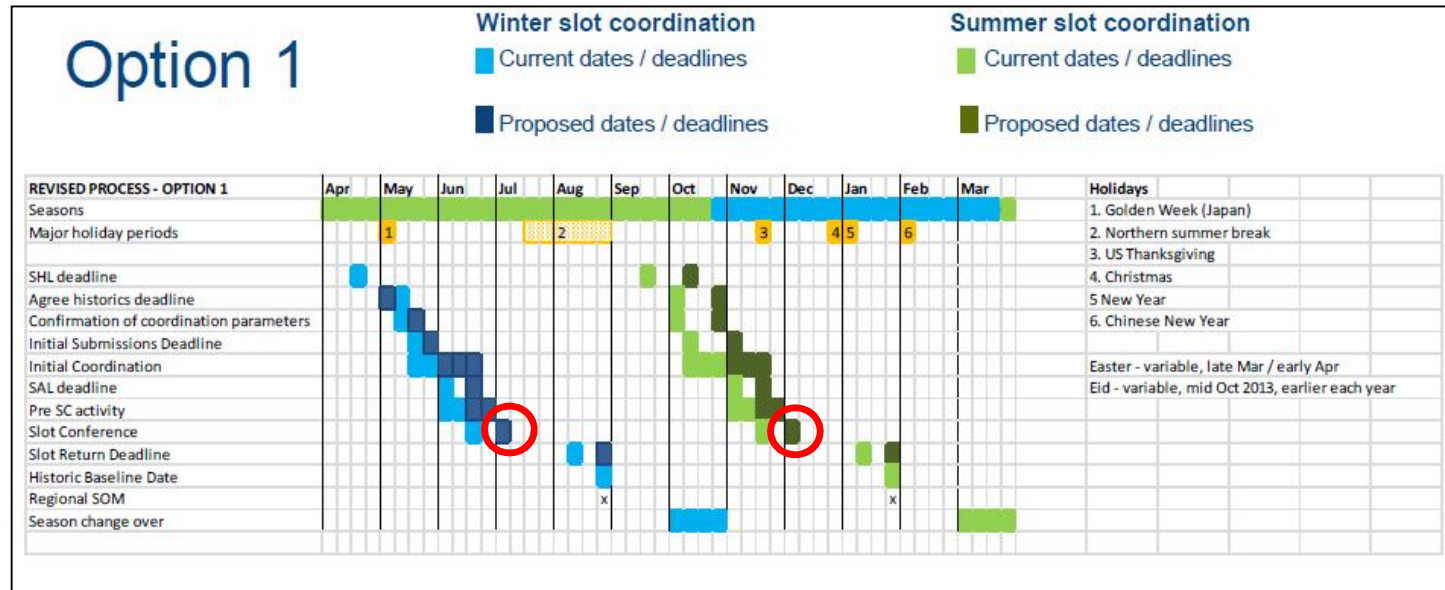
## Current season



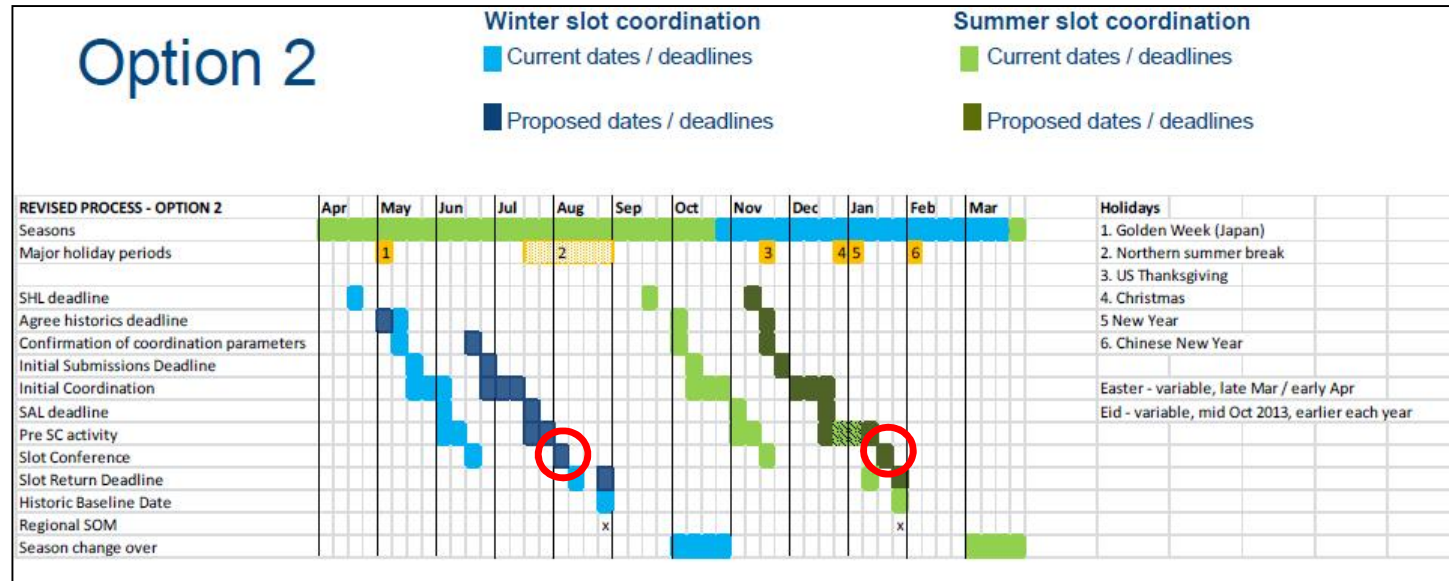
# Slot Coordination Process (2)



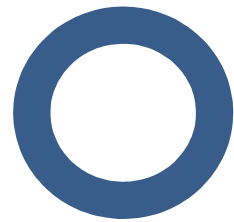
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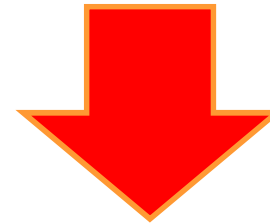
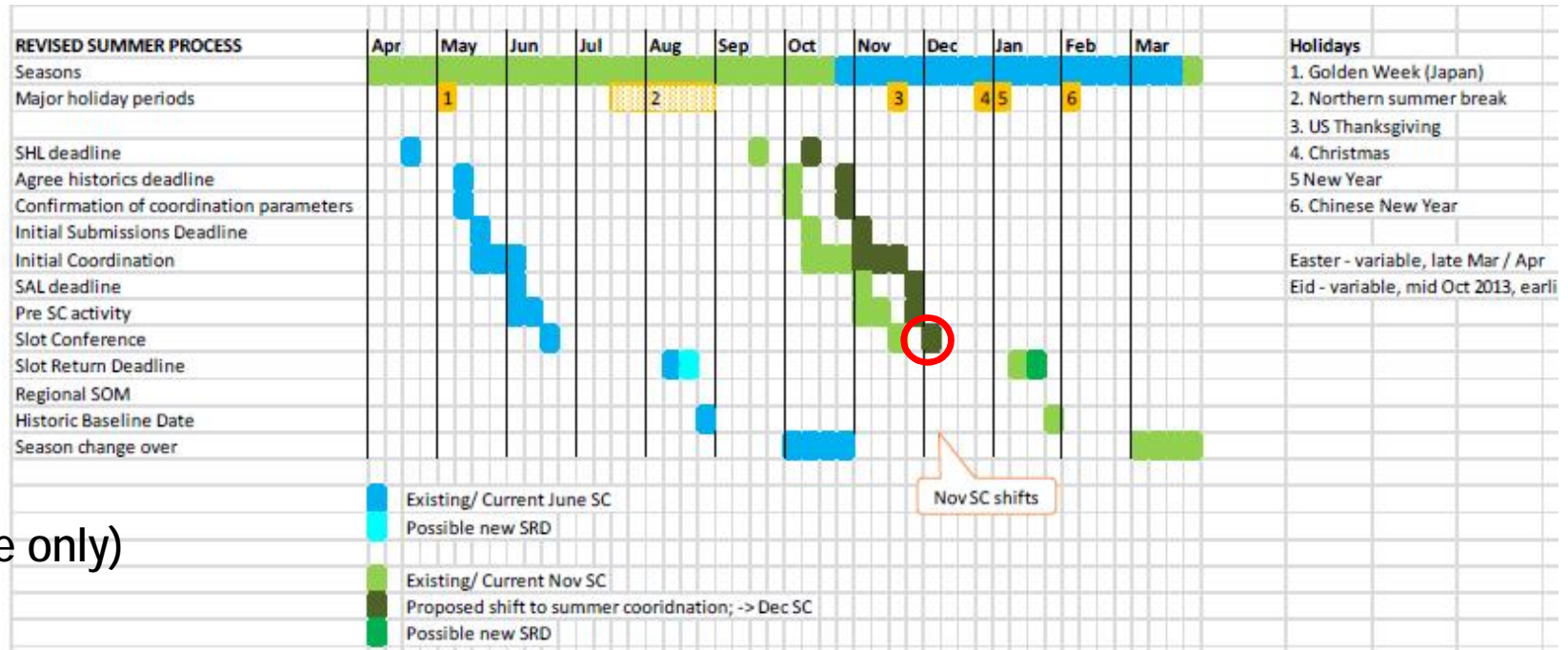
(6weeks Shift for both conferences)



# Slot Coordination Process (3)



(2weeks Shift  
for Nov. conference only)

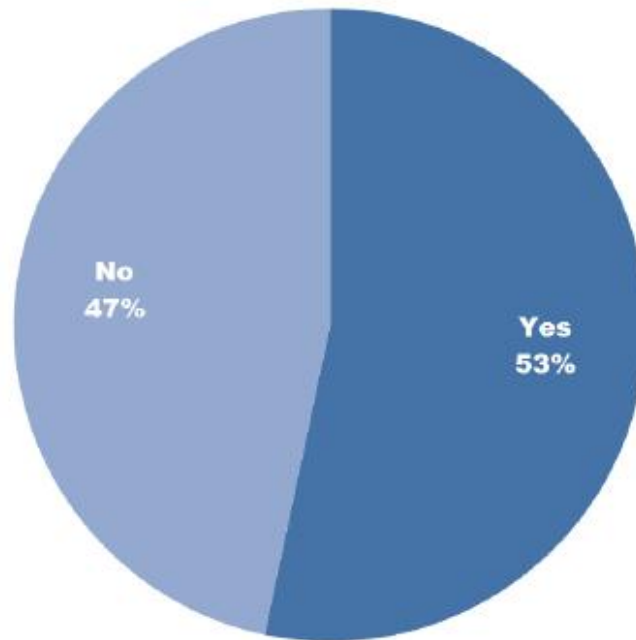


**Vote at SC134**

# Slot Return Deadline (1)

## Slot Return Deadline

Should we eliminate the Slot Return Deadline concept and return to the original process of one slot handback?



Airline and Coordinator Data

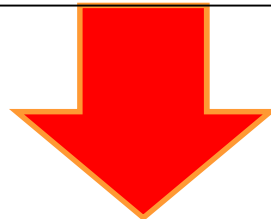
Slot Return Date for Summer Season: January 15  
Slot Return Date for Winter Season: August 15



# Slot Return Deadline (2)

- I Purpose of SRD, to:
  - Ø Give time for reallocation process prior to the start of the 80 % calculation
  - Ø A longer and more thorough communication between airlines and coordinators about series of waitlisted slots and possible improvements for more airlines.
  - Ø A higher number of slots to be improved which are on the waitlist
  - Ø A higher opportunity for requests that have not been assigned a slot up to the SRD can obtain a slot
- I Value
  - Ø Carriers have an enhanced slot portfolio and a better starting position for the historic baseline calculation
  - Ø Improved allocation of scarce airport capacity in a timely manner

The proposal is to move the SRD to the 3rd Tuesday of January and 3rd Tuesday of August, implemented from January 2015 onwards.



**Vote at SC134**

# Schedule Facilitation Process (1)

## Facilitation Process

- Incorporated into the WSG
- Independent subsection

### PRIORITIES FOR SCHEDULE FACILITATION

- (1) Services from the Previous Equivalent Season:
- (2) Introduction of Year Round Operations:
- (3) Effective Period of Operation:
- (4) Ad Hoc Operations:
- (5) Operational Factors:

# Schedule Facilitation Process (2)

## **WSG Edition 6**



### **7 PRINCIPLES OF SCHEDULE FACILITATION**

**7.1 KEY PRINCIPLES OF SCHEDULE FACILITATION**

**7.2 PRIORITIES FOR SCHEDULE FACILITATION**

**7.3 DIALOGUE REGARDING SCHEDULE ADJUSTMENTS**

**7.4 REFUSED SCHEDULE ADJUSTMENTS**

**7.5 OPERATIONS AN AIRLINE DOES NOT INTEND TO USE**

**7.6 MONITORING OF OPERATIONS**

# Future Concept (1)

## Slot IDs Concept

**Situation:** The current international slot process is managed by using flight numbers and time of day.

**Issues:**

- Unnecessary restrictions linked to variable flight details
  - Flight numbers and times should be able to change mid-season without causing uncertainty in usage calculations or breaking series
- Timing of the availability of slot data to the public which can include confidential information
- Inconsistent world-wide slot identification process

**Question:**

- Would the introduction of a Slot -ID world-wide benefit the industry?