



# **Joint ICAO/ACI Workshop on Certification of Aerodromes**

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## **Perspective of Airport Operators**

- **Costs and principles**
- **Airport policies**
- **Safety Management Systems**

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**ACI supports certification – should be:**

- **Fair – “level playing field”**
- **Consistent – high safety standard everywhere**
- **Reasonable – emphasis on accident prevention and continuous improvement**
- **Cost of certificate not to exceed “real cost” of regulation**
- **Certificates should not have limited life**

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- **Annex 14 Recommended Practices should not be equated to Standards and made mandatory by the certification process (they exist to provide guidance for design of new airports)**
- **For Recommended Practices, there is a process for aeronautical studies to establish alternative provisions and operational procedures which could provide an equal level of safety**



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## **Relevant POLICIES in ACI Policy Handbook include:**

**Certification of aerodromes (5.1)**

**Airport Safety Management Systems and  
safety auditing (5.24) – an overall policy**

**and many others, including Apron Safety,  
Airside Vehicle Operations, Runway Incursions,  
Runway Inspections, Runway Friction, FOD  
prevention measures, Wildlife Management.**

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## **Safety Management Systems:**

- **User regulation**
- **Reporting**
- **Movement Area Access**
- **Emergency Plan**
- **Rescue and Fire fighting**
- **Inspection of movement area**
- **Visual aids**
- **Movement area maintenance**

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- **Winter services**
- **Construction management**
- **Apron safety management, incl. vehicles**
- **Wildlife hazard management**
- **Obstacle control**
- **Disabled aircraft**
- **Hazardous materials**
- **Low visibility operations**
- **Navigational aids**