

# Next Generation of Air Traffic Safety Electronic Personnel (ATSEP)

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- Founded 1972
- More than 20,000 ATSEPs (Air Traffic Safety Electronic Personnel)
- 60 Countries
- Non political & Non industrial & Democratic
- Promote Safety & Efficiency in Aviation
- Development of high standards technology
- Skill, Knowledge & Professionalism
- Cooperate closely with international Aviation bodies



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### ATSEP Standard, Definition & Functions

ICAO: ATSEP (DOC 7192 - Training Manual) approved in October 2004, updated August 2009

ILO: ISCO 08 Standard – revised in 2008 with added duties

Category 3145
Air Traffic Safety Electronic Technicians include Engineers



### ATSEP views of the future sky

- More technologies to meet requirements
  - SESAR and NextGen rely on technologies to reach targets
  - Technology is and will be the cornerstone of ANS
  - Growing role and responsibilities for ATSEPs
- More data exchange / less voice communications
  - ANS to aircrafts data exchange. (datalink, ADS)
  - Greater interoperability between countries and stakeholders
  - Increase monitoring and control
- SWIM
  - Global network management (including deployment and integration)
  - Inter-countries networks integrity
  - Inter-countries networks security



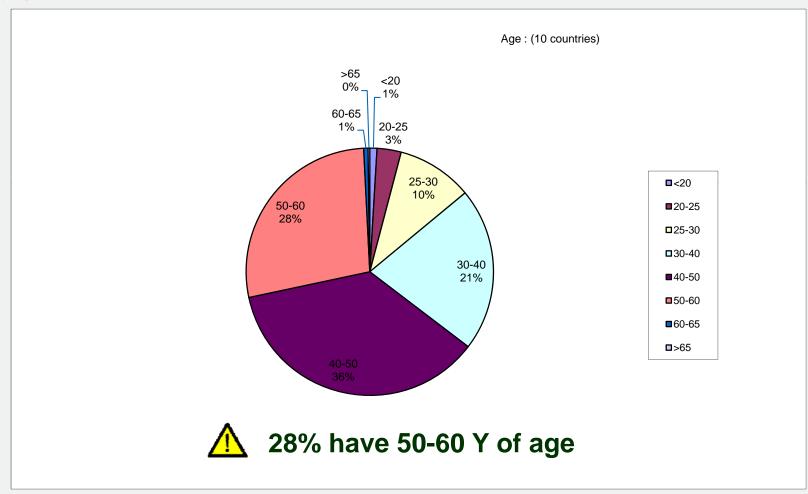
### ATSEP Responsibilities (Tomorrow)

- ATM global concept,
  - Performance base (ATMRPP)
  - Human centered
- SESAR & NextGen objectives (ConOps)
- Collaborative Data Management and CDM
- Operational integrity of all ANS/ATM systems/equipments
- ANS/ATM systems becomes global
- Reliability, security and safety
- Safety Management System (SMS)
- Team Resource Management (TRM)
- Lessons learned from Uberlingen, Milano, Guam, etc...



### ATSEP next generation profile

#### ATSEP current data



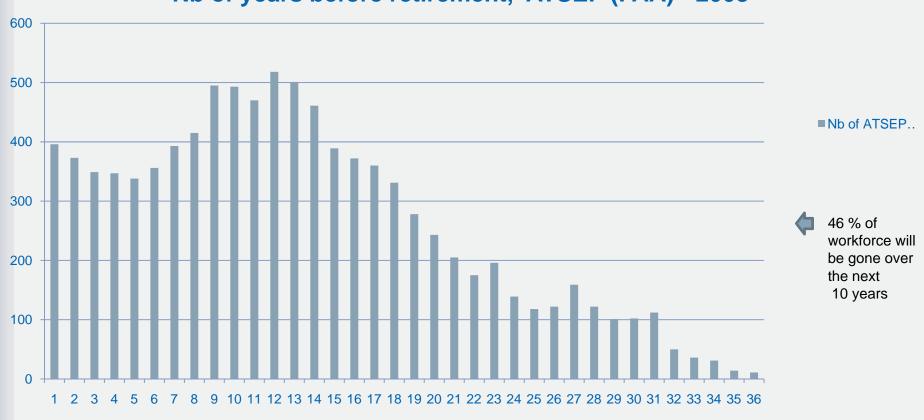
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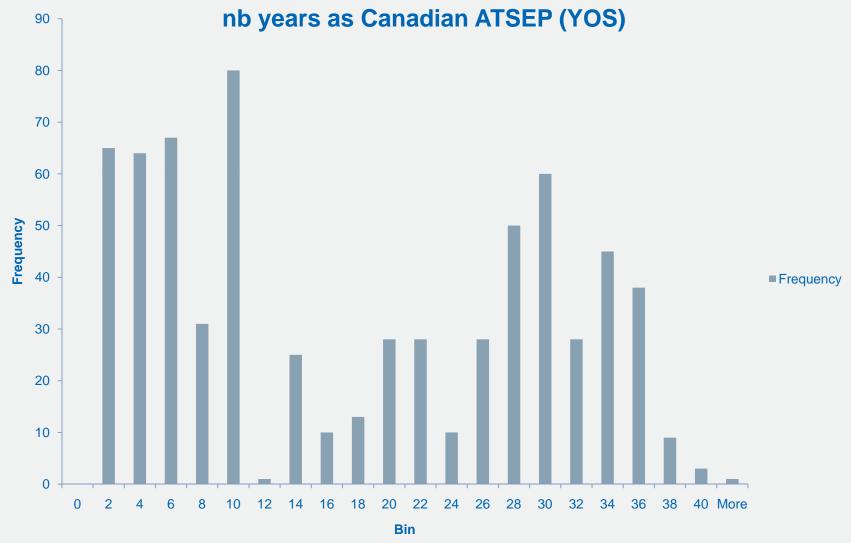
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#### ATSEP current data

### Nb of years before retirement, ATSEP (FAA) - 2008







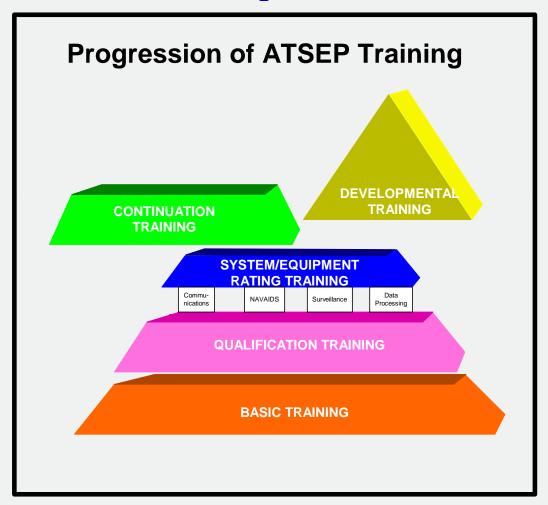


#### **ATSEP Profile – Evolution**

- Systems managers
- Systems technical operators
- Road warriors
- In-depth technology knowledge
- Emergency response
- Global networks / network security



### ICAO ATSEP Training Manual: DOC 7192



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## ATSEP training needs

- Common Core Basic & Qualification Training
- Certified/accredited training programs
- Global and harmonized competencies
- Proficiency checkouts





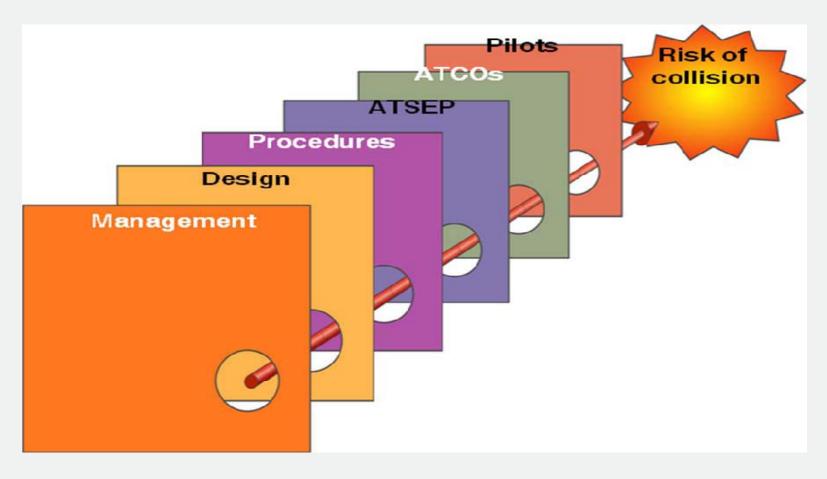
### ATSEP future problems/solutions

- Hiring
  - Smaller pool of interested candidates for electronic profession
- Retention
  - Lack of profession recognition
- Standardization
  - Common core accredited training
  - Proficiency checkout
- Regulation
  - Personnel competency
  - Accreditation/ authorisation to practice



### ATSEP Liability (Today & Tomorrow)

### ATSEP have a major impact on Safety



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#### ATSEP future problems/solutions

#### Regulations

- The work of ATSEP is global:
  - ANS systems interconnected (multiple ACC, multiple FIR, inter regional, intercontinental)
  - ANS systems connected to FMS (SESAR & NextGen)
- The 36 session of ICAO Assembly endorsed "the concept of establishing licensing requirements for ATSEP".
- ATSEP global safety critical tasks requires global harmonized regulations.
- IFATSEA welcomes ICAO "Next Generation of Aviation Professional" task force and provide its full collaboration and support.



### ATSEP future problems/solutions

#### On Global level our ATSEPs need

- A Common Core Content of training
- Regulation for personnel competency (ICAO Annex 1)
  - authorisation to practice
- English language
- Regulation for system security
- Regulated certification of Systems/equipment
- Common International Standards and Procedures (ICAO SARPs)
- Compatible Air Navigation Systems



ATSEP playground is already global. International regulations on training and competencies are mandatory to a safe, secure and efficient aviation industry.

IFATSEA is committed to it.

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