



Progress of the Aeronautical Frequency Management Project – SPEC Project

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Introduction

- The Spec project established under IIM/SG 1 due to challenges identified in Region.
- APIRG/22 - Conclusion 22/23
 - retaliated on the effective coordination of some project of which SPEC Projects was a Part.
- APIRG/22 – Conclusion 22/22
 - on effective and efficient participation of Administrations in IIM project activities.
- IIM/SG/2 Conclusion 2/09
 - on sharing of best practices; encouraged those projects that had not started to utilize the examples of those that had been coordinated effectively.
- Project initiation documentation structure for IIM project (Project Description, Project Organization, TORs, Project Linkages and Questionnaires)



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Discussion

- A virtual meeting was called to be hosted on 10-11 September 2020.
- Purpose was for the project members to;
 - Review and adopt the project initiation documents and,
 - Agree on key components for the questionnaire.
- Development of Questionnaire
 - is to determine the baseline for development of policies, procedures of management of Aeronautical frequency in AFI.
- The contact names of the initial project members were used during the preparation
 - see SPEC Project organization for details.
- The meeting was cancelled following low turn ups from invited members.
 - Reschedule to be carried out after Meeting.



Scope

The main objectives considered for the SPEC Project are;

- To develop a resilient framework for the coordination of Aeronautical frequencies in the region.
- Establish a forum and logical infrastructure to coordinate aeronautical frequencies with State regulators, Sub-regional, and Regional frequency management bodies.
- To ensure States are conversant with ICAO tools on frequency management.
- Establish a forum for coordination and support of ICAO positions for the forthcoming World Radio Conferences (WRC).
- Undertake studies on the effect of possible interferences to aeronautical frequency bands from adjacent bands.

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Task description	Priority	SPEC Project implementation Status
Project coordination	A	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Email submission of initiation documentation✓ Call for first virtual meeting Sept 2020✓ Next meeting to be schedule after IIM/3
Description of Project	A	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Draft project description documentation (appendix A of WP/04B.8)
Planning of Projects	A	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Draft Project Organization documentation (Appendix C of WP/04B.8)✓ Terms of Reference (TOR) of SPEC Project (Appendix B of WP/04B.8)



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Actions conducted cont.

Task description	Priority	SPEC Project implementation Status
Determination of Project Base line	A	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Draft Project Organization documentation (Appendix C of WP/04B.8)✓ Questionnaire to be developed after consultation with members of project
Final Project Cost Estimation	B	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ To be determined after initiation and on a continuous process
Reporting of project deliverables	C	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ WP/04.8 on works of SPEC project



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Challenges

- Availability of nominated Contact Points/ Project Members from States
- Response from States
- Disruption caused by COVID 19 pandemic

Way Forward

- States present in the meeting to nominate or submit names of experts to form part of the SPEC project
- Members nominated to submit commitment to ICAO secretariat and Project Coordinator



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Action by the meeting

The meeting is invited to:

- Note the progress of SPEC Project as contained in the IIM/SG/2 WP/04B.8. and its Appendices.
- Encourage the states that nominated persons to form part of the project from the IIM/SG/1 outcome to confirm their continued interest in the works of the project.
- Encourage State present in the meeting to nominate and submit competent persons to form part of the meeting



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Draft Decision/Conclusion

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That:

The meeting requests the States represented in this meeting(IIM/SG/3)to;

- a) submit experts' names to form part of the SPEC project and,*
- b) review the draft TOR, Project Description, and Project planning documentation for consideration in the forthcoming SPEC project Virtual meeting to be host before the end of the month.*



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