



INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION

**TWENTY SIXTH MEETING OF THE ASIA/PACIFIC AIR NAVIGATION
PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION REGIONAL GROUP
(APANPIRG/26)**

Bangkok, Thailand, 7-10 September 2015

Agenda Item 5: Future Work Programme

APANPIRG WORK PROGRAMME 2016+

(Presented by the Secretariat)

SUMMARY

This paper presents proposals for the future work programme of APANPIRG and its contributory bodies for consideration by the Group. The information is presented to States and International Organizations for advance planning/budgetary purposes only and may be subject to change. A formal letter of invitation will normally be issued at least 2 months prior to each event and posted on ICAO APAC website at www.icao.int/apac.

Strategic Objectives:

- A: *Safety – Enhance global civil aviation safety*
- C: *Air Navigation Capacity and Efficiency-Increase Capacity and improve efficiency of the global civil aviation system*
- D: *Environmental Protection – Minimize the adverse environmental effects of civil aviation activities*

Action by APANPIRG/26 is contained in paragraph 3.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 In accordance with the procedures set out in the APANPIRG Procedural Handbook, at each meeting the Group should endeavor to agree on the date and duration of its next meeting.

1.2 It may be recalled that APANPIRG/1 Meeting (1991) had decided that the Group should meet once a year in order to allow the contributory bodies to review the various air navigation challenges in the ASIA/PAC Region at regular intervals and recommend solutions.

1.3 It is also the normal practice of the Group to review a tentative schedule of meetings of its contributory bodies for the next two years.

2. DISCUSSION

2.1 It had been agreed earlier, that APANPIRG Meetings should be scheduled taking into consideration the ANC/Council Programme, so that the review of APANPIRG Reports by the ANC/Council could be completed without delay, thus facilitating timely follow-up action by the States and the Secretariat.

2.2 Regarding the periodicity and duration of the Meetings, it is recalled that APANPIRG/24 Meeting (2013) confirmed conducting the APANPIRG Meetings yearly and noted the duration of four working days was appropriate and provided for continuity, value, flexibility and focus on the implementation of the regional air navigation systems.

2.3 The 47th APAC DGCA Conference (Macao China 25-29 October 2010) in Action Item 47/16 had agreed that during an ICAO Assembly year, the DGCA Conference should be held in a reasonable timeframe before or after the ICAO Assembly, noting that this may require some adjustments to the rescheduling of other related regional meetings. In this regard the meeting may note that the 53rd DGCA Conference is scheduled from 1st to 5th August 2016 in Sri Lanka and the ICAO Assembly is planned from 27 September to 7 October 2016.

2.3 Recognizing that 2016 is Assembly Year the scheduling of APANPIRG and its Sub Group/Task Force Meetings have to be advanced well before the 53rd DGCA Conference. The experience of 2013 meeting schedule showed that by compressing the meetings within the first six months of the year placed hardship both for ICAO and Administrations in terms of resources and planning with little benefit. APANPIRG and DGCA Conference are independent of each other except for reporting the APANPIRG outcomes which otherwise are available to APAC DGCAs.

2.4 APANPIRG/26 may therefore consider scheduling the APANPIRG Meetings during Assembly Year in September. The suggested tentative schedule of Meetings for 2016 and 2017 given below is based on the normal practice followed so far. The information is presented to States and International Organizations for advance planning/budgetary purposes only and may be subject to change. A formal letter of invitation will normally be issued at least 2 months prior to each event and posted on ICAO APAC website at www.icao.int/apac. Other special co-ordination and Task Force/Working Group Meetings will also be convened during the year 2016, as necessary.

2015 – Outstanding Meetings

ADS-B SEA/BOB WG/11	November	TBD
RACP/TF/5	December	Bangkok
2016		
APSAR/WG/1	January	Bangkok
ISTF/6	19 – 21 January	Bangkok
APATF/2	24 – 26 February	TBD
SAIOACG/6, SEACG/23	Feb/March	Bangkok
PBNICG/3	08 – 10 March	Beijing
ROBEX WG/14	March	Bangkok
CRV Pioneer States/1	15 – 17 Mar	Singapore
MET/H TF/6	March	Bangkok
ADS-B SITF/15	18 – 20 April	Bangkok
SURICG/1	21 – 22 April	Bangkok
AAITF/11	May	TBD
CRV TF/5 & ACSICG/3	10 – 13 May	Bangkok
CRV Pioneer States/2	16 – 18 May	Bangkok
FIT-Asia/5/ RASMAG/21	April/May	Bangkok
SRWG/3	31 May to 2 June	TBD
WASWG	May	TBD
AOP/WG/4	May/June	TBD
RACP/TF/6	May	TBD
ATFM/SG/6	June	TBD
MET/SG/20	July	Bangkok
CNS/SG/20	11 – 15 July	Bangkok
ATM/SG/4	July	Bangkok
APANPIRG/27	5 – 8 September	Bangkok
PBNICG/4	October	Fiji
ADS-B SEA/BOB WG/12	November	TBD
2017		
APSAR/WG/2	January	TBD
SEACG/24	February/March	Bangkok
SAIOACG/7	February/March	Bangkok
ROBEX WG/15	March	Bangkok
MET/H TF/7	March	Bangkok
APATF/3	March	TBD
AAITF/12	April	TBD
SURICG/2	April	TBD
FIT-Asia/6/ RASMAG/22	May	Bangkok
RACP/TF/7	May	TBD
CRV TF/7 & ACSICG/4	May	TBD
MET/SG/21	May	Bangkok
AOP/WG/5	June	Bangkok
ATM/SG/5	TBD	Bangkok
ATFM/SG/7	June	TBD
CNS/SG/21	July	Bangkok
APANPIRG/28	11 – 14 September	Bangkok
ADS-B SEA/BOB WG/13	November	TBD

(Note: Refer Appendix A for Acronyms)

3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

3.1 The meeting is invited to agree on the tentative schedule of meetings of the Group and the contributory bodies.

APPENDIX – A
ACRONYMS

AAITF	Aeronautical Information Services – Aeronautical Information Management Implementation Task Force
ACSICG	Aeronautical Communication Services (ACS) Implementation Co-ordination Group
ADS-B SITF	ADS-B Study and Implementation Task Force
AOP/WG	Aerodrome Operations and Planning Working Group
APANPIRG	Asia/Pacific Air Navigation Planning and Implementation Group
APA/TF	Asia/Pacific ATS Inter-Facility Data-Link Communication (AIDC) Implementation Task Force (APA/TF)
AP SARWG	Asia Pacific Search and Rescue Working Group
ATFM/SG	Air Traffic Flow Management Steering Group
ATM/SG	ATM/Sub Group
ATN IC G	Aeronautical Telecommunication Network Implementation and Coordination Group
CMRI	China, Mongolia, Russian Federation and IATA ATS coordination Meeting
CNS/SG	CNS Sub-Group of APANPIRG
CRV TF	Common Regional Virtual Private Network (VPN) Task Force
FIT-Asia	FANS Interoperability Team-Asia
ISTF	Ionospheric Study Task Force
MET/ATM/Seminar	Meteorology/Air Traffic Management Seminar
MET/H TF	Meteorological Hazards Task Force (of the MET SG)
MET/R TF	Meteorological Requirements Task Force (of the MET SG)
MET/SG	Meteorology Sub-Group of APANPIRG
RACP/TF	Regional ATM Contingency Planning Task Force
RASMAG	Regional Air Space Monitoring Advisory Group of APANPIRG
ROBEX WG	Regional OPMET Bulletins Exchange Working Group (of the MET SG)
SAIOACG	South Asia/Indian Ocean ATM Coordination Group
SEACG	South East Asia ATS Coordination Group
SEA/BOB ADS-B WG	South East Asia and Bay of Bengal Sub-regional ADS-B Implementation Working Group
SRWG	Spectrum Review Working Group
SURICG	Surveillance Implementation Coordination Group
WASWG	Water Aerodromes Small Working Group