

Free Route Airspace IATA Regions

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FRA PMT/3) and awareness workshop

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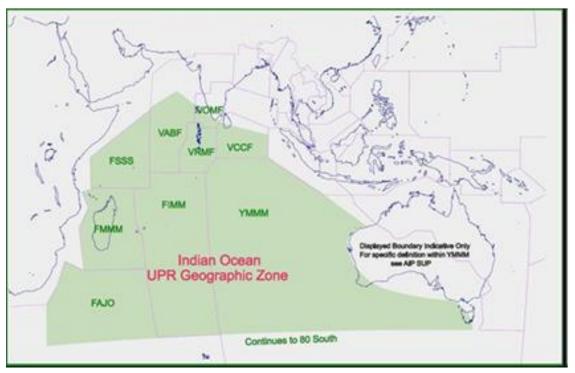


Overview

- FRA/UPR implementation in IATA Regions.
- ASPAC Implementation.
 - Several States in ASPAC
- Planned revision of the NOPAC Route System.
- South America & Caribbean Implementation.



UPRs are available in several States in ASPAC.



- Australia has permitted oceanic 'FlexTracks' and then UPRs in the Indian Ocean for a long time now (20 years).
- ... and also moved to UPRs over the continent.

Still in ASPAC States...

- Other States are more recent, but availability is growing and the COVID interruption provided low traffic opportunity to push for expansion.
- <u>Indonesia</u> is one of these who are currently <u>conducting a</u> <u>UPR trial in both of their FIRs</u>.
- It has been slow-going to get airlines to participate in that trial as for the first period the winds weren't optimal and then the constraints, they had on <u>flight planning windows were</u> very restrictive but they're working through it.



Still in ASPAC States...

- New Zealand has been processing UPRs in the Pacific for 20 plus years.
- The whole South Pacific (SOUPAC) is essentially a UPR zone
 - Auckland, Nadi, Tahiti, Oakland, Santiago with UPRs being unconstrained in those FIRs.
- The North Pacific (NOPAC) has constrained UPRs including freer upper level UPRs.
- NOPAC restructuring is a reduction of lateral between fixed routes then a gradual south to north elimination of fixed routes in favor of UPRs.

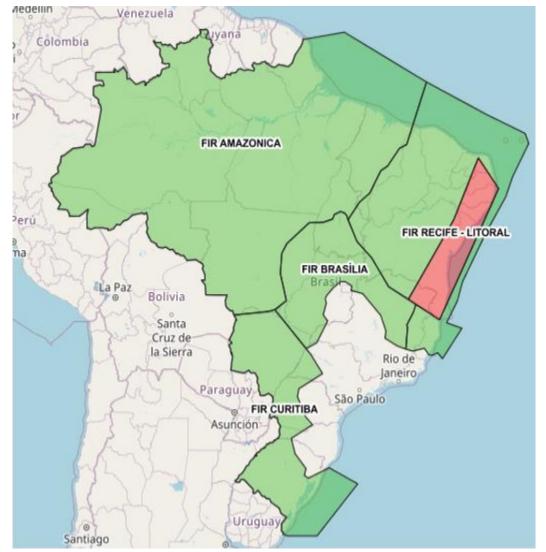
South America States

- In South America we have a mix of UPRs with DCT Routing Airspace.
- They started the <u>development</u> of the **DCT Routing Airspace** strategy at the beginning of pandemic and it was possible to keep it after traffic recovery.
- Excellent effort in Brazil, with a work of redesigning the airspace, involving re-sectorization/airspace capacity.



Still in South America States

- The Brazilian DCT Routing Airspace (green + red).
- The red portion in the Recife FIR is being used just at night.
- In the non-DCT Routing Airspace, Brazil applies "kind" of UPRs previously coordinated with Brazilian **ATFM Center**





Central America & Caribbean States

- For the Central America and Caribbean, the process of implementing <u>DCT Routing is a little bit behind</u>.
- There are some UPRs trials, but already with important fuel savings.
- There is a group named CIIFRA (CANSO, IATA, ICAO Free Route Airspace), which support ICAO NACC in DCT routing implementation.
- The UPR initiative will be used also in South America, in the Sates who are reluctant in implementing DCT routing airspace.

IATA Americas States

 There is a lot of room for DCT routing implementation and harmonization, and they are starting the development of a Guidance Material for implementing DCT Routing/Free Route Airspace in SAM.



Thank you

