

INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION

Sixth Meeting of the APIRG Infrastructure and Information Management Sub-Group (IIM/SG6)

(*Nairobi*, *31 July* – *3 August 2023*)

Agenda Item 8: Review of the Terms of Reference and Work Programme of the APIRG Infrastructure and Information Management Sub-Group (IIM/SG)

WP8.1 - Review of the Terms of Reference and the Work programme of the IIM/SG

(Presented by the secretariat)

SUMMARY

This working paper presents a review of the Terms of Reference of IIM/SG with proposals for amendment of the ToR and Work Programme

Action by the meeting in paragraph 3

REFRENCE(S):

- APIRG Procedural Handbook
- Terms of reference of IIM/SG
- APIRG/25 Report

Strategic Objectives

■ B – Air navigation Capacity and Efficiency

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The IIM/SG is established and mandated by APIRG to support the implementation of ICAO Standards and Recommended Practices (SARPs) and carry out specific activities aimed to enable APIRG to discharge its functions and responsibilities in the areas of CNS, AIM and MET.
- 1.2 To carry out its functions, the Sub-Group shall, as guided by APIRG, amongst others i) carry out implementation Projects in support of States, related to the areas of MET, AIM and CNS in accordance with the ASBUs methodology and as guided by the Regional performance objectives, to support States in the implementation of SARPs and regional requirements; ii) Identify and collect, State by State, information on deficiencies in the areas of MET, AIM and CNS in accordance with the Uniform Methodology approved by Council and the APIRG guidance; analyze and propose solution; report on progress and obstacles beyond the capacity of the sub-group.
- 1.3 The Terms of Reference (ToR) of the Sub-Group clarify how the Sub-Group intent to achieve its mission. To optimize the performance of the IIM/SG, the meeting may need to review the terms of reference and propose updates, as necessary, for further review by APIRG.

2. DISCUSSIONS

- 2.1 The Twenty-fifth Meeting of the AFI Planning and Implementation Regional Group (APIRG/25), held in Kigali, Rwanda from 7 to 11 November 2022, reviewed and approved through the Decision 25/13, the reframed IIM projects to align the references of these projects with the provisions of the Global Air Navigation Plan (GANP).
- 2.2 The meeting may also recall the APIRG/25 Decision 25/14 closing the IIM projects teams activities on AIM/1, AIM/2 and AIM/3. At the same time, the meeting, through Decision 25/15 and Decision 25/17 approved i) two new projects in AIM to assist States in the improvement of the quality of Aeronautical information, and the implementation of aerodrome mapping and instrument flight procedure data sets and ii) two new project in MET to assist States in implementation the aeronautical meteorological personnel competency standards and reduce the rate of unavailability of the OPMET data in the Region.
- 2.3 To improve the effectiveness of the APIRG Projects, the APIRG/25 Conclusion 25/12 called for the Secretariat to coordinate with States and Organizations to review and update the list of Project Teams members. Updated Project Teams Members, including the Team Members of the new Projects are provided in **Appendix A** to this working paper.
- 2.4 The Group will recall that the APIRG/25 Meeting reviewed and updated its work programme. In accordance with normal practice within APIRG subsidiary bodies, the meeting may wish to review and update the terms of reference (TOR) of the IIM Sub-Group as reflected in **Appendix B** to this working paper. The updated terms of reference currently describe the objectives, key functions, tasks, working methods, membership and reporting of the Sub-group.
- 2.5 The meeting is also called upon to review and update the work programme of the IIM Sub-Group at **Appendix C**, taking into consideration the above discussions.

3. ACTIONS BY THE MEETING

- 3.1 The meeting is invited to:
 - a) Note the information provided in this working paper;
 - b) Review and if necessary, update the terms of reference of the IIM Subgroup at **Appendix B** to this working paper; and;
 - c) Review and update the work programme of the IIM Sub-Group, taking into consideration IIM SG activities endorsed by APIRG/25 in **Appendix C**.
 - d) Consider the updated Project Teams Members, and the new Project Team Members as per **Appendix A** to this working paper.

