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# **AFI Aviation Safety Symposium**

## **Session 7**

### **Round table on the way forward**

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# Major Outcomes of the Symposium

1. **African States** to keep the momentum in improving safety and air navigation performance in Africa, which is an essential catalyst for economic development
2. **African States** to take ownership of and implement the Abuja aviation safety targets
3. **African authorities** were re-engaged and motivated in implementing actions aimed to address the obstacles inhibiting air transport development





# Main obstacles recognized

- Long-term sustainability of air transport (CAAs and operators)
- Empowerment and financial sustainability of regional bodies (RSOOs)
- Hiring, training and retaining qualified and skilled staff
- High turnaround of CAA DGs and managers
- Protectionism, visa policies, complexity of regional frameworks

# Major Outcomes of the Symposium

4. We recognized the efforts made by the international community in supporting safety and air navigation performance in Africa
5. **Aviation safety partners** to convince their development agencies to continue providing assistance and resources to attain the Abuja safety targets, improve safety and air navigation performance
6. Continue working with ICAO in coordinating assistance projects focusing on the most urgent needs and long term capacity building



# What's next?



1. Discuss the preliminary outcomes of the Sessions
2. Agree on a collaborative programme that will be presented to the AFI Plan tomorrow