



**WORKING PAPER**

**FIFTH MEETING OF THE ALLPIRG/ADVISORY GROUP**

**(Montreal, 23 – 24 March 2006)**

**Agenda Item 2.4: Performance Framework**

**CONVENING ICAO PERFORMANCE SYMPOSIUM**

(Presented by the European Organisation for the Safety of Air Navigation – EUROCONTROL)

**SUMMARY**

This paper describes the background to the proposed ICAO Performance Symposium. The ICAO Secretariat is making arrangements for the symposium to be held early in 2007.

Action by ALLPIRG/5 is in paragraph 3.

**1. INTRODUCTION**

1.1 At its 35th Session (2004), the ICAO Assembly agreed that “*at an appropriate time, ICAO would convene, in cooperation with other organisations, a global meeting to agree on performance objectives and monitoring requirements*”. This decision was based on a working paper submitted by EUROCONTROL to the ICAO Assembly (2004), which received wide support.

1.2 Consequently, ICAO wrote to States and international organisations (letter of 7 February 2005, Ref. SD 36/1-05/24) proposing an initial list of topics for consideration at the worldwide conference tentatively scheduled to be held in September/October 2006. This initial list included:

- Safety performance and management targets of the ANS,
- Operational and economic performance of the ANS, including environmental impact,
- Technical performance of the ANS,
- Management of ANS.

1.3 The letter sought States' views on maturity, priority and intended contributions on those topics, related subtopics and on any other topics that States wished to raise. The deadline for reply was 6 May 2005.

## 2. **DISCUSSION**

2.1 On 8 June 2005, the ICAO Council met to consider, inter alia, the replies from States. The Council decided that a Worldwide Air Navigation and Air Transport Conference on the Performance of the Air Navigation System would be premature in 2006, as there was a requirement for further development of relevant subject matter to full maturity.

2.2 The ICAO Council decided, therefore, that the Conference should be postponed. This is on the understanding, however, that the ICAO Secretariat would continue to monitor, over the long-term, the need for convening a future such conference.

2.3 The ICAO Council also indicated that the ICAO Secretariat should give serious consideration to convening a symposium on the performance of the air navigation system.

2.4 The President of the ICAO Council added that if good progress was being made on the preparatory work, then a symposium should be convened as soon as possible.

2.5 The ICAO Secretariat is now making arrangements for the performance symposium to be held in the first Quarter of 2007. It is believed that the results of work of the two key ICAO Panels (ATMRPP and ANSEP) will be sufficiently mature by that time.

2.6 EUROCONTROL strongly supports the convening of this event, and that particular attention be given to safety performance and economic performance.

## 3. **ACTION BY ALLPIRG**

3.1 The ALLPIRG/5 Meeting is invited to support the ICAO Secretariat in its endeavours to arrange the Performance Symposium for the first Quarter of 2007.

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