Action Plan for Aviation Environment sustainability

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Introduction

Kyoto Protocol
- Aviation emissions expected to increase fourfold by 2050
- Fuel efficiency improvements will not offset projected growth
- International aviation emissions less than 2% of total global CO₂ emissions

[Pie chart showing percentages of different sectors, with Air at 2% and Road at 13%. Source: IPPC/WRI]
5% average yearly air transport growth depending on the region:
Principles that govern My Action plan

- **Environmental Strategy:**
  - Cover all aviation environmental aspects

- **Aviation Environment should be treated as a Global Problem:**
  - Work through ICAO

- **Cultural change:**
  - Increase awareness and create an environmental friendly culture
  - Incentives

- **The goal of any market based measures should be to reduce emissions:** not cap growth
  - Avoid Taxation and Levies
  - Any revenues generated from emission reductions should go back in aviation environmental investments and research.

- **Balance UNFCCC’s CBDR ICAO’s non discrimination principle:**
  - De-minis: non-major polluters should be out of the system.
Action Plan

- Environmental Strategy:
  - Environmental Management plan
    - Environmental Impact assessment
  - Environmental Mitigation
    - Operational Measures
    - Infrastructure
    - Technology
    - Alternative Fuels
    - Market based measure
    - Data Bank
  - Environmental Adaptation
    - How aviation infrastructure will have to be adapted to cope with the changes in climate change
Environmental Mitigation
Operational Measures & infrastructure

ICAO Guidelines on Operational Measures (DOC 9931 CDO, RVSM)
Environmental Mitigation Technology

- Fleet renewal or Engine upgrading
- Facilitate financing new equipment
Environmental Mitigation
Alternative Fuels

- Encourage research
- Facilitate investment
Environmental Mitigation
Market-based measures

- Adopt global, sectoral approach through ICAO
  - Revenues should go back for aviation environment mitigation
  - Incentivizes participation
  - Not distort competition amongst operators
  - Account (and pay) for aviation emissions only once
  - Recognize aircraft operators that have already invested heavily in modern, low emission fleets
Conclusion

Mitigating aviation’s environmental impact is a global responsibility and it requires the commitment of ICAO’s 190 Member States.