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THE SECOND ICAO
**GLOBAL AVIATION
COOPERATION SYMPOSIUM**

MANAGING CHANGE: BUILDING A SAFE, SECURE AND SUSTAINABLE AVIATION COMMUNITY

Athens, Greece 11–13 Oct 2017

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DAY 1 – WEDNESDAY, 11 OCTOBER 2017

OPENING SESSION

8:00 – 9:30	Registration
09:30 – 10:30	Opening Ceremony
10:30 – 11:00	<i>Coffee Break</i>

TECHNICAL COOPERATION REALIZATION SESSION

11:00 – 12:30	<p>ICAO's Technical Cooperation programme provides support in all areas of civil aviation. More than 100 States/Organizations benefit annually with aviation projects implementation through ICAO TCB, for improving their civil aviation systems, through human resources training programs, recruitment of expert consultants and procurement of civil aviation equipment and services, which have had a clear positive effect on their civil aviation systems and on the local and regional economic development.</p> <p>The session will provide an opportunity for participants to learn firsthand the benefits of Technical Cooperation through existing cases.</p>
	Q&A
12:30 – 14:00	<i>Lunch Break</i>

AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT PANEL

14:00 – 15:30	<p>With an increase in airport traffic globally, airports capacity is becoming a real concern for states as they are more and more considered crucial for local and regional economic opportunities. In this context, Civil Aviation is a driver for economies and plays an important role on the social and economic development.</p> <p>With a steady increase in the number of flights, aircraft movements and passenger traffic, airport operators have had to manage this influx of passenger and cargo traffic. The Technical Cooperation Program has worked with airport operators to address emerging safety, security, operational and technical resources demands. These challenges have been addressed through the implementation of complex projects from designing and planning to infrastructure, equipment, as well as the commercialization of airports.</p> <p>Panelists will discuss how best to plan for future airport demand, and implement corresponding solutions.</p>
15:30 – 16:00	QA

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16:00 – 16:30	<i>Coffee Break</i>
16:30– 17:30	<i>Workshop</i>
18:00 – 20:00	<i>Cocktails and Gala Dinner</i>
<i>End of Day 1</i>	

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DAY 2 – THURSDAY, 12 OCTOBER 2017

AVSEC (Aviation Security) AND FACILITATION PANEL

09:00 – 10:30	<p>Responding to the global driving forces and needs of Member States, ICAO’s AVSEC and TRIP programs provide a framework for achieving the maximum benefits of traveller identification management to aviation security and facilitation.</p> <p>In a global effort to make air travel more enjoyable and efficient, security and facilitation must continue to meet the highest of standards.</p> <p>The panel will discuss today’s existing challenges in aviation security and facilitation as well as provide examples of related technical cooperation projects.</p>
	Q&A
10:30 – 11:00	<i>Coffee Break</i>

ENHANCING SAFETY OVERSIGHT SESSION

11:00 – 12:30	<p>The number of passengers and flights worldwide are projected to double by 2030, making aviation safety fundamental to sustainable growth in air travel. What are Governments doing to ensure the continuous improvement of global aviation safety? How are current and emerging safety risks being addressed? How can Governments ensure the development of a sound safety oversight system?</p> <p>This session will offer presentations to participants on how Member States can overcome these challenges. It will also present different options on how States can associate with ICAO to obtain assistance.</p>
	Q&A
12:30 – 14:00	<i>Lunch</i>

CHALLENGES FOR ANSP (Air Navigation Service provider) PANEL

	<p>Innovative technologies have been introduced in recent years to tackle air navigation challenges to promote safety and efficiency. New technologies and innovation can only be implemented when Member States, industry stakeholders and air navigation service providers cooperate to implement best practice solutions.</p> <p>Panelists will discuss how best to prioritize air navigation challenges, including the use of technical</p>
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	cooperation solutions.
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15:15 – 15:45	<i>Coffee Break</i>
15:45-16:15	<i>Workshop</i>
COOPERATION THROUGH REGIONAL APPROACH PANEL	
16:15 – 17:30	<p>The regional support structure of ICAO is led by its seven Regional Offices (Asia & Pacific (APAC), Eastern & Southern African (ESAF), South American (SAM), North American/Central American/Caribbean (NACC), Western & Central African (WACAF), European & North Atlantic (EUR/NAT) and the Middle East (MID)).</p> <p>These offices, through regional cooperation, act as a key mechanism by which ICAO assists in the effective implementation of ICAO’s global Standards and Recommended Practices (SARPs). These projects are set up to facilitate regional cooperation through the exchange of ideas, the identification of regional challenges, and the sharing of resources. Member States and stakeholders can access experts and information on regional priorities, strategies and programmes related to ICAO Global Plans and initiatives.</p> <p>Our panelists will review methodologies, best practices and tools available to Member States.</p>
	Q&A
<i>End of Day 2</i>	

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DAY 3 – FRIDAY, 13 OCTOBER 2017

CAPACITY BUILDING AND TRAINING PANEL

09:00 – 10:30

Capacity building is defined as the "process of developing and strengthening the skills, instincts, abilities, processes and resources that organizations and communities need to survive, adapt, and thrive in the fast-changing world of aviation."

Thousands of aviation professionals will need to be trained to keep up with an increased demand for pilots, mechanics, air traffic controllers and other aviation services.

Panelists will review best practice training programs and discuss the implementation of ICAO provisions within their training programs.

Q&A

10:30 – 11:00

Coffee Break

PROJECT FUNDING AND RESOURCE MOBILIZATION PANEL

11:00 – 12:30

As the Global Aviation Industry continues to register higher growth, aviation project funding and resource mobilization is becoming an increasing concern for Member States. These aviation demands are placing increased pressure on existing aviation infrastructure and human resources. This in turn requires huge investments, the acquisition of civil aviation equipment and human resources training programs. It is imperative that Governments work closely with Regional and National Development Banks, Donor States and Organizations as well as Development Partners to effectively time investments so that States and Industry may all benefit from the economic growth of aviation industry. These stakeholders can seize this opportunity to spur economic development through the financing of infrastructure expansion projects involving airports, the acquisition of new aircraft and air navigation equipment as well as the training of technical personnel.

Panelists will discuss different models for project financing and resource mobilization.

Q&A

12:30 – 13:30

Lunch

CLOSING REMARKS

13:30 – 14:00

14:00 – 16:00

ATHENS CITY TOUR