

Cooperation ICAO and UNFCCC

20 years of cooperation



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Background

GHG emissions from international aviation are currently **estimated to account for some 2 per cent** of global GHG emissions and are projected to grow

GHG emissions from international aviation are **not subject to the limitation and reduction commitments** under the Convention and the KP and are excluded from national totals and reported separately

COP 1 agreed that the **SBSTA** should address emissions from international bunker fuels. Under the SBSTA Parties addressed:

- **Options for the allocation** of emissions
- **Reporting requirements** for Parties included in Annex I
- **Methodological aspects** of data collection and reporting
- **Cooperation** between ICAO, IMO and the UNFCCC



Cooperation of ICAO and UNFCCC

ICAO and the UNFCCC can look back on a **long cooperation history** of almost 20 years

COP1, the Kyoto Protocol and the SBSTA with a number of decisions are **recognizing the important role of ICAO** in addressing GHG emissions from international aviation

The COP and the SBSTA, at various sessions, highlighted the **importance of cooperation** between ICAO and the UNFCCC and their secretariats

Since its third meeting (1996) ICAO **reports to the SBSTA** regularly on its ongoing work related to GHG emissions from international aviation

The UNFCCC regularly informs ICAO's Parties at ICAO's **Committee on Aviation Environmental Protection (CAEP)**



Cooperation of the secretariats

COP5 invited the two secretariats to strengthen their cooperation
(Decision 18/CP.5)

The two secretariats have since been **closely cooperating** based on an efficient reciprocal exchange of information and attendance in relevant meetings

In addition, the two secretariat also:

- Explored opportunities for examining and improving the quality of data reporting and comparability (2001)
- Organized joint expert meetings on methodological aspects of emission estimation, reporting and compilation of GHG data (2003 and 2004)
- Prepared joint reports and make relevant presentations at the meetings



Recent development under ICAO

ICAO's resolution A37-19 sends a strong signal to enhance cooperation between ICAO and the UNFCCC and their respective secretariats. It requests the Council to:

- Advise the COP of the UNFCCC on policy options to limit or reduce the GHG emissions from international aviation
- Continue to cooperate with organizations involved in policy-making in this field, notably with the COP to the UNFCCC
- Report CO₂ emissions from international aviation to the UNFCCC, as part of its contribution to assessing progress made in the implementation actions

Providing data (ICORAS) to the UNFCCC could inform Parties in their decisions and work under the UNFCCC

Any action under ICAO can complement Parties' mitigation activities under the UNFCCC towards closing the ambition gap



Thank you very much for your attention

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