

FINANCING THE DEVELOPMENT OF AVIATION INFRASTRUCTURE

THIRD ICAO WORLD AVIATION FORUM (IWAf/3)

Hosted by Nigeria

In collaboration with the African Union Commission (AUC), African Development Bank (AfDB) and

New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD) Agency

Financing the Development of Aviation Infrastructure

The third ICAO World Aviation Forum (IWAf/3) is aimed at high-level government officials responsible for aviation, transport and infrastructure, finance, economy, and tourism; and key industry and financial partners. The Forum is intended to explore the benefits of the aviation sector to the social, economic development and prosperity of Member States and to discuss, identify needs, and facilitate the funding and financing required to accelerate the implementation of international civil aviation global standards and policies, as well as global plans for aviation, in support of the ICAO *No Country Left Behind* (NCLB) initiative.

The Forum will also provide an opportunity to share information and best practices and to collaboratively foster partnerships and harness resources for sustainable aviation and development of aviation infrastructure that will ultimately enable national economic growth.

IWAf/3 will be held in Abuja, Nigeria and will build on the outcomes of the previous events held in Montréal in 2015 and 2016, respectively.

Objective

- Build on the outcomes of the two previous ICAO World Aviation Forums (IWAf/1 and IWAf/2) held in November 2015 and September 2016, and in the spirit of the NCLB initiative, tackle the existing and future financing challenges facing aviation infrastructure and capacity development in Member States, especially in Africa;
- Establish and/or align infrastructure programmes and plans that are consistent with the ICAO global strategic plans for aviation, i.e. Global Aviation Safety Plan (GASP) and Global Air Navigation Plan (GANP), stimulate common and interoperable air transport systems, and consequently foster the attainment of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UN SDGs);
- Promote development of Aviation Infrastructure Plans by States that are integrated in National and Regional Development Plans, for example, under the auspices of the Programme for Infrastructure Development in Africa (PIDA);
- Create and offer an opportunity including business-to-business (B2B) meetings to facilitate access to financing of projects and programmes in collaboration and partnership with the private sector, financial institutions and donors; and
- Focus on the establishment of specific infrastructure and capacity building projects to address the needs as identified through ICAO gap analysis in support of the NCLB initiative.

Expected Outcome

- Adoption of a Declaration and the plan of action for aviation infrastructure development in Africa;
- Establishment of a collaborative mechanism by African States to ensure implementation of the plan of action and achievement of its set objectives, targets and timelines;
- Establishment of a financial framework for aviation infrastructure development in Africa that will be integrated into the African Union (AU) and the PIDA;
- Establishment and/or restructuring of national mechanisms by States to attract private sector investment in aviation;
- Discussions and conclusions of project financing arrangements; and
- Issuance of Concluding Communiqué for Financing the Development of Aviation Infrastructure.

Programme

Monday, 20 November 2017

13:00 – 18:30 **Business-to-Business Matchmaking and Bilateral Meeting Opportunities**
Nigerian Side Events: Durbar & Polo Match (15:00 – 18:00)

19:30 – 21:00 **Welcome Reception** (hosted by Nigeria and sponsored by AfDB)

- Welcoming remarks from **Senator Hadi Sirika**, Minister of State for Aviation, Nigeria
- Welcoming remarks from **Mr. Pierre Guislain**, Vice President, African Development Bank Group (AfDB)
- Welcoming remarks from **H.E. Dr. Amani Abu-Zeid**, Commissioner for infrastructure and Energy, African Union Commission (AUC)
- Welcoming remarks from **Mr. Symerre Grey-Johnson**, Head, Regional Integration, Infrastructure and Trade, New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD) (on behalf of NEPAD CEO)
- Short-presentation by World Bank Group

Tuesday, 21 November 2017 — Global Financing Issues

9:30 – 11:00 **Grand Opening**
Financing the Development of Aviation Infrastructure

During the Opening, the high-level officials will address the existing and future financing challenges facing aviation infrastructure and capacity development, promote the development of the Aviation Infrastructure Plans, and discuss priorities and strategies in the spirit of ICAO's *No Country Left Behind* (NCLB) initiative.

Master of Ceremonies:

- **Ms. Pauline Brandt**, Presenter/Reporter

Welcoming Remarks:

- **Senator Hadi Sirika**, Minister of State for Aviation, Nigeria

Remarks:

- **Mr. Akinwumi Adesina**, President, AfDB
- **H.E. Dr. Amani Abu-Zeid**, Commissioner for infrastructure and Energy, AUC

ICAO Opening Remarks:

- **Dr. Olumuyiwa Benard Aliu**, President of the Council of ICAO

Opened by:

- **H.E. Mr. Muhammadu Buhari**, President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria

11:00 – 11:20 **Coffee Break**

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11:20 – 12:30 **Session 1**

Boosting Investments in Aviation Infrastructure and Benefits of Aviation

The use of aviation as an economic development driver requires a large number of investments over a long period and the collaboration of States to modernize and expand aviation infrastructure. Leaders from the aviation industry, as well as the United Nations (UN) Secretary-General's High-level Advisory Group on Sustainable Transport, will highlight the socio-economic benefits of aviation and discuss immediate financing needs to maximize such benefits.

Co-Moderators:

- **Dr. Fang Liu**, Secretary General, ICAO
- **H.E. Dr. Amani Abu-Zeid**, Commissioner for infrastructure and Energy, AUC

Discussants:

- **H.E. Dr. Pin Min Lam**, Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Transport, Singapore
- **Mr. Zhiqing Wang**, Deputy Administrator, Civil Aviation Administration of China
- **Ms. Angela Gittens**, Director General, Airports Council International (ACI)
- **Mr. Jeff Poole**, Director General, Civil Air Navigation Services Organisation (CANSO)
- **Mr. Alexandre de Juniac**, Director General, International Air Transport Association (IATA)
- **Mr. Jan Pie**, Chairman, International Coordinating Council of Aerospace Industries Associations (ICCAIA)

12:30 – 14:40 **Lunch Break** for general participants (sponsored by Nigeria)

12:45 – 14:30 **Leaders Luncheon 1** (*by invitation only; presentation to be provided in English only*)

Integrated Transport System Planning

The UN Secretary-General's High-Level Advisory Group on Sustainable Transport highlighted the necessity of a balanced development of all transport modes. To better utilize the limited resources, air transport planning efforts should also be integrated with multi-modal transport plans. During this lunch time, presentations will be made on how to integrate the priorities of the aviation sector within the coordinated development of all transport modes, so that no country is left behind.

Master of Ceremonies:

- **Ms. Pauline Brandt**, Presenter/Reporter

Presenters:

- **Mr. Hyun-Jong Joo**, Director General for Aviation Policy, Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport, Republic of Korea
- **H.E. Ms. Annette Ferguson**, Minister within the Ministry of Public Infrastructure, Guyana
- **Mr. Nicholas Peltier**, Transport Manager in Africa, World Bank Group (representing SuM4All)
- **Mr. Thabani Myeza**, Executive Commercial, Air Traffic and Navigation Services (ATNS)*

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14:40 – 16:00 **Session 2**

Leveraging Public and Private Finance for Aviation Infrastructure Development

Top officials from financial institutions will present what national and international financing options are available to meet the aviation infrastructure requirements in States, which are consistent with the ICAO global strategic plans. The discussion will focus also on the requirement of sectoral reforms in aviation infrastructure markets and how to create favourable conditions to attract private investors and build up institutional capacity to handle the complex nature of project finance transactions.

Co-Moderators:

- **H.E. Mr. Arkom Termpittayapaisith**, Minister of Transport, Thailand
- **Hon. Dr. Okechukwu Enelamah**, Honourable Minister of Industry, Trade and Investment, Nigeria

Discussants:

- **H.E. Mr. Jitendra Narayan Dev**, Minister for Culture, Tourism and Civil Aviation, Nepal
- **Mr. Philippe Brown**, Head of Dakar Office, European Investment Bank
- **Mr. Mouchili Mayoua**, Senior Transport Specialist, Islamic Development Bank Group
- **Mr. Pierre Guislain**, Vice President, AfDB
- **Mr. Tewolde GebreMariam**, CEO, Ethiopian Airlines, Member of the UN Secretary-General's High-Level Advisory Group on Sustainable Transport
- **Mr. Mathieu Peller**, Director West Africa, Meridiam

16:00 – 16:20 **Coffee Break**

16:20 – 17:40 **High-level Business Dialogue 1**

Exploring Investment Opportunities of Aviation Infrastructure

This Interactive Round Table will provide the co-moderators and discussants of Sessions 1 and 2 with a rich, solutions-oriented discussion, drawing on the insights of the leaders present, with the aim of identifying where financing is required through analysing the gap between forecasted demand and capacity needed, and building a transparent, stable and predictable investment climate through engaging multi-stakeholders, diversifying funding sources and elevating private sector's role in infrastructure financing for long-term needs. Top officials from financial institutions and international organizations will interact with high-level aviation stakeholders.

Master of Ceremonies:

- **Ms. Pauline Brandt**, Presenter/Reporter

Discussants:

- **Selected co-moderators and discussants of Sessions 1 and 2**
- **Mr. Victor Manuel Aguado**, Representative on the Council of ICAO, Spain
- **Mr. Hichem Zebidi**, Advisor to the Board of Directors, TAV Airports Holding
- **Dr. Charles E. Schlumberger**, Lead Air Transport Specialist, World Bank Group

19:00 – 21:00 **Gala Dinner** (hosted and sponsored by Nigeria)

Opportunities to Side-Events and Business-to-Business Meetings (11:00 – 18:30)

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9:30 – 10:50 **Session 3**

Financing for Aviation through the Programme for Infrastructure Development in Africa (PIDA)

The development of aviation infrastructure and investment required for the African aviation sector is currently not well covered by the Programme for Infrastructure Development in Africa (PIDA). The discussion will focus on how to build quality aviation infrastructure under the framework of the PIDA. As investment in quality aviation infrastructure development requires simultaneous enhancement in human capacity – they are directly linked – and completely dependent on each other, top officials from financial institutions in Africa will also discuss investment in “soft infrastructure”, especially through the *MoveAfrica* initiative.

Co-Moderators:

- **Hon. Mr. Aggrey Henry Bagiire**, Minister of State of Transport, Uganda
- **Hon. Ms. Cecilia Abena Dapaah**, Minister of Aviation, Ghana*

Discussants:

- **H.E. Mr. Sherif Fathi Attia**, Minister of Civil Aviation, Egypt
- **Hon. Mr. Tsehlo Ramarou**, Deputy Minister of Public Works & Transport, Lesotho*
- **Ms. Iyabo O. Sosina**, Secretary-General, African Civil Aviation Commission (AFCAC)
- **Mr. Symerre Grey-Johnson**, Head, Regional Integration, Infrastructure and Trade, New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD) (on behalf of NEPAD CEO) *
- **Dr. Ousman Mahgoub El-Feel**, Advisor to the Director General, Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa
- **Dr. Benedict Okey Oramah**, President and Chairman of the Board of Directors, African Export-Import Bank*
- **Mr. Kunle Oyinloye**, Managing Director, The Infrastructure Bank Plc

10:50 – 11:10 **Coffee Break**

11:10 – 12:30 **High-level Business Dialogue 2**

Exploring Investment Opportunities of Aviation Infrastructure in Africa

Continuing from Session 3, this Interactive Round Table will provide the co-moderators and discussants of Session 3 with a rich, solutions-oriented discussion, leading to the establishment of a financial framework for aviation infrastructure development in Africa that will be integrated into the AU and the PIDA. Top officials from financial institutions in Africa will interact with high-level aviation stakeholders through Q&As slots.

Master of Ceremonies:

- **Ms. Pauline Brandt**, Presenter/Reporter

Discussants:

- **Selected co-moderators and discussants of Session 3**
- **Ms. Mercy Beatrice Awori**, Representative on the Council of ICAO, Kenya
- **Mr. Laurence Fubara Anga**, Founding Partner, ALEX
- **Mr. Stefan Atchia**, Transport Policy Specialist, AfDB

* To be confirmed

12:30 – 14:40 **Lunch Break** for general participants (sponsored by Nigeria)

12:45 – 14:30 **Leaders Luncheon 2** (*by invitation only; presentation to be provided in English only*)
Role of Regional Economic Communities (RECs) for Aviation Infrastructure Development

Speakers from Regional Economic Communities (RECs) of the African Union (AU) will present their best practices and measures to attract foreign direct investments and official development assistance to enhance their air transport systems and improve connectivity, recognizing their special needs and structural characteristics.

Master of Ceremonies:

- **Ms. Pauline Brandt**, Presenter/Reporter

Presenters:

- **H.E. Mr. Marcel A. de Souza**, President, Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) Commission
- **Mr. Jean Baptiste Mutabazi**, Director of Infrastructure and Logistics, Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA)
- **Ms. Suzette Nieuwoudt**, Executive Director, Southern African Development Community (SADC) Aviation Safety International Organisation*
- **Dr. Pauline D. Yearwood**, Deputy Programme Manager, Transportation, Caribbean Community (CARICOM) Secretariat*

14:40 – 16:00 **Session 4**
International Assistance Platform for Infrastructure Development in Africa

Despite its cross-cutting nature and multiple links to other economic sectors, air transport received a mere 4.2 per cent (USD 4.6 billion) of the total Official Development Assistance (ODA) provided by all donors for economic infrastructure and services for the past decade (2005-2013). In comparison, road transport was allocated a share of 54.7 per cent, which amounts to USD 60.9 billion. Presentations will be made on various foreign assistance platforms and partnerships to mobilize resources for infrastructure development in Africa, such as Tokyo International Conference on African Development (TICAD) and Forum on China-Africa Cooperation (FOCAC).

Co-Moderators:

- **H.E. Mr. Ahme Shide**, Minister of Transport, Ethiopia*
- **Hon. Mr. Balogun Leonard Koroma**, Minister of Transport and Aviation, Sierra Leone*

Discussants:

- **H.E. Mr. José da Silva Gonçalves**, Minister of Economy and Employment, Cabo Verde
- **Mr. Yong Wang**, Vice-President, China-Africa Development Fund (CAD Fund)
- **Mr. Shinji Matsui**, Representative on the Council of ICAO, Japan (Focal point of TICAD)
- **Mr. Peter Bombay**, Deputy Head of Unit, DG Mobility and Transport, European Commission
- UNDP Nigeria**

16:00 – 16:20 **Coffee Break**

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16:20 –17:20 **High-Level Session**

Adoption of Declaration and Plan of Action for Aviation Infrastructure Development in Africa

After reviewing a draft text and taking into account discussions and deliberations during the previous sessions, the Forum will adopt a Declaration and Plan of Action for Aviation Infrastructure Development in Africa.

Co-Chairs: AUC, ICAO, AfDB, NEPAD and Nigeria

- **Dr. Olumuyiwa Benard Aliu**, President of the Council of ICAO
- **Mr. Pierre Guislain**, Vice President, AfDB
- **Mr. Symerre Grey-Johnson**, Head, Regional Integration, Infrastructure and Trade, New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD) (on behalf of NEPAD CEO) *
- **Senator Hadi Sirika**, Minister of State for Aviation, Nigeria

17:20 –17:40 **Summary of the Forum**

Master of Ceremonies:

- **Ms. Pauline Brandt**, Presenter/Reporter

ICAO Concluding Remarks for IWAF/3:

- **Dr. Fang Liu**, Secretary General, ICAO

Issuance of Concluding Communiqué for Financing the Development of Aviation Infrastructure

Vote of Thanks by a Minister on Behalf of Participants in IWAF/3:

Closing Remarks

- **Senator Hadi Sirika**, Minister of State for Aviation, Nigeria

Opportunities to Side-Events and Business-to-Business Meetings (09:30 – 16:20)

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Background for “Day of Africa”

Challenges to Be Addressed

- The future growth of aviation strongly supports the realization of the **African Union (AU) Agenda 2063** by promoting inclusive growth and sustainable development and accelerating the integration in the African economies. The increased air connectivity feeds into aviation re-investment, creating a dynamic and healthy cycle of complementary national aviation and economic development with world-class infrastructure.
- Despite the potential of growth, it remains difficult for States and aviation stakeholders in Africa to access funds and/or ensure financing for the modernization and expansion of their infrastructure (such as airports, runways, telecommunication equipment, air cargo warehouse, meteorology facilities etc.). There is also no financing arrangement to implement the **Aviation System Block Upgrades (ASBU)**, of the Global Air Navigation Plan (GANP).
- The first and most obvious condition to realize aviation’s benefits is to improve compliance with ICAO’s global standards. Additionally, removing operational and/or national impediments is of fundamental importance to ensuring aviation’s benefits and maximizing them for local economies and societies.
- The development of aviation infrastructure and investment required for the aviation sector is not well covered by the **Programme for Infrastructural Development for Africa (PIDA)**, which determined that 24 airports on the African continent would be saturated by 2020. Of the over 50 projects under PIDA, civil aviation has not more than three projects related to liberalization of air transport, capacity building and development of airports and air navigation facilities.
- In various initiatives by the **New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD)**, including **Move Africa** initiative, the development of aviation infrastructure is not included or given any priority.
- The **African Civil Aviation Policy (AFCAP)** endorsed by the AU Assembly of Heads of State and Government (Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, January 2012) cannot be fully implemented due to the lack of sustainable funding/financing for aviation infrastructure, training and capacity building, as well as regulatory oversight capabilities.
- The slow implementation of the **Yamoussoukro Declaration** creates regulatory impediments to investments into aviation and therefore results in lower connectivity and less competitiveness. Only 20 African States committed to implementing the Single African Air Transport Market (SAATM) established in the framework of the Yamoussoukro Decision.
- The 18th Ordinary Session of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the AU (Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, January 2012), adopted a decision to establish a **Continental Free Trade Area (CFTA)**. The objective of the CTA is, inter alia, to expand intra-African trade through better harmonization and coordination of trade liberalization and facilitation regimes.
- In Africa, skills shortages are posing a considerable short-term obstacle to growth, with a lack of adequately trained pilots, air traffic controllers, engineers, as well as tourism industry personnel. Africa needs more and better trained personnel to meet not only current requirements but also the needs for future growth and new technologies.

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