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13 May 2014

Subject: Invitation to the AFCAC/ICAO Joint Workshop on PBN Implementation
(Dakar, Senegal, 24-26 June, 2014)

Action Required: Reply to confirm participation by **31 May 2014**

Dear Sir/Madam,

During the APIRG/19 meeting, which was held in Dakar from 28 to 31 October 2013, AFCAC and the RECs were requested by APIRG to provide assistance to States in the implementation of the Action Plan for the AFI Regional Air Navigation System.

AFCAC, as part of its own mission to assist its member States, included in its Program of Activities for 2014, a Seminar / Workshop on the implementation of PBN at the national level, to foster the execution of the PBN Action Plan in the AFI Region.

In this regard, we have the honour to inform you that the African Civil Aviation Commission (AFCAC) and the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) have agreed to conduct a Joint Workshop on National Performance Based Navigation (PBN) implementation Plan for the benefit of States in the African region. The Workshop will take place in the Conference Room of the AFCAC Headquarters in Dakar, Senegal, from 24 to 26 June 2014 and your State/Administration/Organization is cordially invited to participate.

This Workshop is being organized pursuant to the necessary implementation of PBN Plan by African States and expediting the execution of PBN in the African region to meet ICAO requirements on PBN through APIRG/18 conclusion calling on States to develop their National PBN Implementation Plan and GNSS/PBN TF/4 Conclusions 4/02 on National PBN Programme Manager/Coordinator and 4/03 on National PBN Implementation Plan.

The PBN Implementation Workshop is intended to assist States/Administrations in enhancing their PBN Implementation Plans and move forward with actual PBN executions. The Workshop will also provide updated information regarding global PBN activities and how PBN can be an enabler for enhancing ATM operations.

The PBN Implementation Workshop is supported by the ICAO African Flight Procedure Programme (AFPP) Office which will start its operations on 2 June, 2014 in its offices in Dakar, Senegal.

During the Workshop, participants will be given the appropriate tools and knowledge for the drafting of a National PBN Implementation Plan, with assistance from African FPP facilitators and will develop a list of short-term action items aiming to enhance their existing PBN Implementation Plans and advance their on-going PBN implementations



Attachment A:

DRAFT AGENDA

Agenda item 1: Performance based navigation (PBN) concept

- Origin of the ICAO PBN concept, ICAO objectives, operational requirements, related activities

Agenda item 2: Presentation of National PBN Plans

- Presentation by 2 African States which have already implemented and consolidated their National PBN Implementation Plan (NPIP);
- Presentation of template National PBN Implementation Plan.

Agenda item 3: Current situation of National PBN Implementation Plans

- Presentation of the current situation regarding the implementation of NPIPs in African States;
- Needs, issues and concerns from States in NPIPs domain.

Agenda item 4: planning of customized workshops

- Planning and list of participants to customized workshops.

Agenda item 5: reports from workshops

- Reports from customized workshops;
- Presentation of a list of short-term action items aiming to enhance their existing PBN Implementation Plans.

Agenda item 6: Review of Seminar/Workshop outcome



Attachment B:

Registration Form

Kindly fill this form and return to secretariat@afcac.org, icaowacaf@icao.int or icaoesaf@icao.int

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Last Name (in blocks letters)

First Name (in blocks letters)

State/Organization

Official designation

Permanent address

City and Country

Telephone/Fax

E-mail

Local Hotel

Signature _____ Date: _____



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and deployments. The list of action items along with relevant recommendations will be then submitted to appropriate CAAs/DCAs for their actions.

The proposed Agenda (**Attachment A**) will be supported by PBN experts in the area of PBN Implementation Plan.

The Workshop will be conducted in English and French and the documentation, which will be issued in these two languages, is being prepared based on the attached Agenda and will be posted on the following AFCAC and ICAO websites as soon as it is available: <http://www.afcac.org>, <http://www.icao.int/wacaf> and <http://www.icao.int/esaf>.

Please note that the use of hard copy (paper) documentation at the Workshop will be kept to a minimum, in favour of the use of multimedia projectors and electronic copies of documents. Other than in exceptional cases, documentation will not be provided in hard copy format. Participants are encouraged to bring along suitable computer equipment and accessories such as laptops and USB keys to the Workshop to enable them to participate effectively.

Participants of this Workshop should be representatives from all aviation stakeholders with an interest in PBN implementation.

You are requested to confirm your participation as soon as possible but in any case not later than **31 May 2014**, giving the names and functions of all participant(s) from your Administration/Organization. Please complete and return the registration form in **Attachment B** to the following e-mail addresses secretariat@afcac.org, icaowacaf@icao.int or icaoesaf@icao.int with a copy to aaluede@afcac.org, FLegrand@icao.int and FMaiga@icao.int or fax the form to: +221338207018 or +221338203259.

Please accept, Sir/Madam, the assurances of our highest consideration.

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Attachments A: Draft agenda
B: Registration Form
C: Information Bulletin