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**ICAO Seminar on Satellite-Aided Distress Tracking,  
15-16 September 2021**

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA AND WORK PROGRAMME**

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Title</b>
1	<b>Welcome and introductions</b>
2	<b>ICAO and IMO</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Regulations</li><li>• GADSS and GMDSS</li><li>• IAMSAR Manual</li></ul>
3	<b>Cospas-Sarsat overview</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• History and Organization</li><li>• System overview, principles of operation</li><li>• Why do we have SPOC tests?</li></ul>
4	<b>RCCs and SPOCs</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Overview of RCCs and SPOCs</li><li>• Using Regional RCCs as a SPOC</li><li>• Integrating Cospas-Sarsat into an RCC</li><li>• Coordinating a SAR response to a Cospas-Sarsat alert</li><li>• RCC Feedback to an MCC</li></ul>
5	<b>Exercise</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Scenario based exercise – responding to an alert/test</li></ul>
6	<b>Exercise feedback</b>
7	<b>Methods to improve response rates</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Importance of feedback</li><li>• Oversight from an MCC</li><li>• SAR agreements/arrangements</li></ul>
8	<b>SAR agreements</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Agreement/Arrangement/MoU/LoA</li><li>• What is needed to implement an agreement?</li><li>• Benefits of agreements</li></ul>
9	<b>Breakout on agreements</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Q and A with SMEs</li></ul>
10	<b>Promoting SPOC testing around the RCC</b>
11	<b>SPOC testing responses –tracking the outcomes of the seminar</b>
12	<b>Feedback and discussion/AoB</b>
13	<b>Closing remarks</b>