

***Preparing NAM/CAR/SAM States for the ATConf/7: Key Actions And Expectations
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Draft Programme (120 minutes)

Theme 1. Opening Remarks

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Theme 2. 7thWorld wide Air Transport Conference (ATConf/7) CONTEXTD RELEVANCE

The importance and continuity of air transport is defined and agreed in the ICAO Air Transport Conferences. The outcomes of Seventh Worldwide Air Transport Conference (ATConf/7) will define the economic and regulatory foundations of civil aviation in the next decade. The Worldwide Air Transport Conference is ICAO's premier policy and decision-making forum for international air transport. It is where Member States, international organizations, industry and other stakeholders come together to examine major developments in air transport, and to determine the measures needed to improve the economic regulatory environment and support the resilience and sustainable growth of international aviation.

The outcomes of ATConf are not merely aspirational. They will set the foundation for the development of ICAO policies and guidance on international air transport.

The theme of ATConf/7 is: "Air Transport: Powering Global Connectivity, Economic Development and Resilience in a Dynamic World." Under this overarching theme, ATConf/7 has six core objectives.

- to advance economic regulatory frameworks to adapt to evolving market trends and technologies by leveraging data.
- to enhance industry resilience by addressing workforce, supply chain, market access, emergency response gaps, and consumer protection.
- to mobilize blended financing to support civil aviation infrastructure.
- to shape economic policy foundations for innovation and emerging technologies.
- to strengthen institutional and human capacity.
- to enable sustainable and inclusive growth in air transport.

THEME 3. REGIONAL COORDINATION

Putting ideas into Actions. Regional coordination is a critical success factor for our NAM/CAR and SAM Regions. The ATConf/7 explicitly encourages joint or coordinated submissions to enhance efficiency and impact, plus avoiding duplication, increasing political visibility and strengthening regional cohesion.

THEME 4 LACAC Support to States

LACAC will share their process and system toward supporting States coordination and agreements to propose and support Air Transport initiatives, paper and positions toward the ATConf/7 discussion. The explanation shall include the contribution process, support by LACAC and ICAO Regional Offices. Effective participation in ATConf/7 requires early preparation, particularly through the submission of documentation. We strongly encourage State to move beyond participation and actively contribute concrete proposals reflecting your national and regional priorities.

THEME 5. Questions and Answers

The participants will share the opportunity to ask questions on preparing to the ATConf/7. The dynamic looks to build engagement and ownership toward the Conference. For this part States are invited to think of what are the main challenges for you concerning air transport, which topics should be prioritized at ATConf/7 and as a minimum where are your State ´s opportunities for progressing in Air Transport implementation and cooperation.

THEME 6. CLOSING AND CALL TO ACTION

Closing remarks and recommendations for States ´ best participation in the ATConf/7, reviewing the critical deadlines of the conference and the opportunities to work together in an organized and coordinated manner. Explore regional coordination opportunities and network with other States for ideas and effective participation and follow-up implementation.

ATCONF/7 IS A STRATEGIC OPPORTUNITY TO ENSURE THAT THE PERSPECTIVES OF OUR STATES ARE REFLECTED IN GLOBAL AIR TRANSPORT POLICY.