



EIGHTH MEETING OF THE SAT IMPLEMENTATION MANAGEMENT GROUP (SAT IMG/8)

Virtual, 19 to 20 October 2026

Agenda Item 5: Coordination between SAT IMG and SAT SOG

Summary of the Results of the Extraordinary Meeting of SAT IMG and SAT SOG

(Presented by Secretariat)

SUMMARY	
This paper presents a summary of the outcomes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the South Atlantic Implementation Management Group (SAT IMG/EO) and the South Atlantic Safety Oversight Group (SAT SOG/EO), held virtually on 18 September 2026. The meeting reviewed the status of readiness for the implementation of Performance-Based Communication and Surveillance (PBCS) in the EUR/SAM Corridor, considered monitoring and reporting arrangements, and adopted one Decision relating to implementation readiness and the go/no-go decision process.	
Action by the Meeting at paragraph 3.	
<i>Strategic goals</i>	A-Every Flight is safe and secure C- Aviation Delivers Seamless, Accessible, and Reliable Mobility for All

1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The Extraordinary Meeting of the South Atlantic Implementation Management Group (SAT IMG/EO) and the South Atlantic Safety Oversight Group (SAT SOG/EO) was held virtually on 18 September 2026. The meeting was convened to provide additional coordination and validation ahead of the implementation of Performance-Based Communication and Surveillance (PBCS) in the EUR/SAM Corridor, further to the outcomes of SAT IMG/SOG/7.
- 1.2 The meetings brought together representatives of States, Air Navigation Service Providers (ANSPs), Regional Monitoring Agencies, industry partners and ICAO Regional Offices to review implementation readiness and discuss monitoring and reporting arrangements associated with the initial phase of PBCS implementation. The report on the Extraordinary Meeting is available at the following link:
<https://www.icao.int/ESAF/meetingdocs?fid=141033#block-icao-page-title>
- 1.3 This paper provides SAT IMG/8 with a summary of the key discussions, outcomes and Decision adopted by the Extraordinary Meeting.

2 DISCUSSION

- 2.1 The meeting reviewed the status of readiness for PBCS implementation in the EUR/SAM Corridor. States, ANSPs and other stakeholders provided updates on implementation activities and identified

remaining issues requiring coordination prior to implementation.

- 2.2 Discussions highlighted the importance of harmonized implementation of separation standards throughout the corridor. The meetings agreed that the relevant implementation documentation should be reviewed to ensure consistency among participating FIRs.
- 2.3 Participants also reviewed technical and operational readiness aspects and discussed the proposal to conduct PBCS trial activities before implementation, with the outcome of such trials forming part of the overall readiness assessment.
- 2.4 The meetings reviewed the PBCS Monitoring and Reporting Guidance and emphasized the need for robust monitoring, reporting and information-sharing processes during the initial implementation phase.
- 2.5 The meetings concluded that implementation planning activities were progressing satisfactorily and reaffirmed the importance of maintaining a coordinated and harmonized implementation approach throughout the EUR/SAM Corridor.
- 2.6 The meetings adopted SAT IMG/SOG EO Decision 01: PBCS Implementation Readiness and Go/No-Go Decision, which called for:
 - a) review of the implementation plan and AIC template to clarify separation standard harmonization and incorporate PBCS trial slots and coordination procedures;
 - b) consideration of a single AIRAC cycle for publication of AICs related to PBCS implementation; and
 - c) a final go/no-go decision on implementation to be taken during SAT IMG/8 and SAT SOG/8.

3 ACTION BY THE MEETING

- 3.1 The meeting is invited to:
 - a) note the outcomes of the Extraordinary Meeting of SAT IMG and SAT SOG held on 18 September 2026;
 - b) note the Decision adopted regarding PBCS implementation readiness and the go/no-go decision process;
 - c) review the current status of implementation readiness of States, ANSPs and other stakeholders; and
 - d) consider and take the final decision regarding the implementation of PBCS in the EUR/SAM Corridor.

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