

SESSION 7

Tools for Air Transport Liberalisation



A Unified African Sky
SAATM builds on the
Yamoussoukro Decision (1999)
to create a single, integrated
continental air transport
market.



Agenda 2063 Flagship
A strategic pillar for economic
integration, mobility, trade,
and global competitiveness.



ICAO Policy Alignment
Advancing the liberal exchange
of traffic rights and airline
designation consistent with
ICAO principles.

The Aviation Transformation

Connectivity • Competition • Competitiveness



Enhanced Connectivity

Expanded route networks and seamless cross-border market access across Africa.



Competitive Markets

Greater airline competition to drive efficiency and reduce fares.



Economic Multiplier

Stimulating tourism, trade, and investment through integrated air transport markets.

From Commitment to Credibility

The Implementation Question



44 Endorsing States

Broad political support across the continent signals commitment to integration.



Regulatory Depth

Competition safeguards, consumer protection rules, and dispute settlement mechanisms underpin credibility.



Institutional Coordination

Effective cooperation among AFCAC, RECs, and national authorities is essential.



The Core Question

How do we ensure liberalisation becomes structurally enforceable and sustainable?