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Subject: Thirteenth Meeting of the Regional Aviation Safety
Group – Asia and Pacific Regions (RASG-APAC/13)
(Hong Kong, China, 18-19 December 2023)

Action Required: Nomination of Delegates and Online
Registration; and Submission of Papers, not later than
20 November 2023

Sir/Madam,

I have the honour to invite your State/Administration/Organization to participate in the **Thirteenth Meeting of the Regional Aviation Safety Group – Asia and Pacific Regions (RASG-APAC/13)** which will be held at the Hong Kong Civil Aviation Department (HKCAD) Headquarters Auditorium in Hong Kong, China from **18-19 December 2023**. The Meeting, together with the Thirty-Fourth Meeting of the **Asia/Pacific Air Navigation Planning and Implementation Regional Group (APANPIRG/34)** to be held from 11 to 13 December 2023, will be graciously hosted by the HKCAD. In line with the ICAO Assembly Resolution A40-27 on “Innovation in Aviation” and global initiatives on “Capacity Building”, the Civil Aviation Administration of China (CAAC), HKCAD and Hong Kong International Aviation Academy (HKIAA), will jointly organize an “**Asia Pacific Region Innovation and Capacity Building Symposium 2023 (APICS 2023)**” with the theme of “**Uniting the Strength of Innovation for Building a Seamless Sky**”. With the support from the ICAO APAC Regional Office, **APICS 2023** will be held at the AsiaWorld-Expo in Hong Kong, China from 14 to 15 December 2023 in between the annual **APANPIRG/34** and **RASG-APAC/13** Meetings. APANPIRG/34 Invitation Letter is sent separately vide reference; AN 3/3-AP124/23 (AGA), dated 06 September 2023. The schedule is summarized below:

- **APANPIRG/34 – 11 to 13 December 2023 (Monday to Wednesday)**
- **APICS 2023 – 14 to 15 December 2023 (Thursday to Friday)**
- **RASG-APAC/13 – 18 to 19 December 2023 (Monday to Tuesday)**

APICS 2023

The Asia Pacific Region has been undergoing a fast pace of air traffic recovery which induces various challenges. Timely planning and deployment of innovative technology and investment on capability building are of vital importance in further enhancing air navigation and aerodrome operations and bringing tangible benefits in a sustainable manner. **APICS 2023** will be convened in the same week of the APANPIRG in Hong Kong. **APICS 2023** will host keynote speeches, panels and talks on innovation and capacity building, with global leading exhibitors assembling and showcasing their innovative solutions and capabilities via exhibition, demonstrations and talks. **APICS 2023** will bring together aviation leaders, decision-makers and senior professionals from Civil Aviation Authorities, Air Navigation Service Providers, Aerodrome Operators and leading Systems/Solutions Integrators in the Asia Pacific Region and beyond in search for innovative solutions to further enhance air navigation and aerodrome operations for building a seamless sky as well as meeting their demands. Admission to the 2-day **APICS 2023** is **free-of-charge**. Please register your attendance at <https://www.apics2023.org>, and mark the event at your earliest convenience. Further details of the event is also available on the website. A provisional programme of the APICS 2023 event is provided at **Attachment F** for your reference.



Interested organizations/companies of your State/Administration are encouraged to share information that provide innovative solutions in air navigation, aerodrome operations and aviation academic/research institutions contribute in capacity building for civil aviation industry are invited to register or, exhibit at **APICS 2023**. Should you have any enquiries, please feel free to contact the secretariat of **APICS 2023** at info@apics2023.org.

RASG-APAC/13 Meeting

The Provisional Agenda, Tentative Programme for the RASG-APAC/13 Meeting are at **Attachment A and B** to this letter. RASG Meeting will mainly review/discuss the following:

- a) Review the outcomes of RASG-APAC/12 and its subsidiary bodies i.e. Asia Pacific Regional Aviation Safety Team (APRAST);
- b) RASG-APAC Work Programme 2022-2023;
- c) RASG-APAC Proposed Work Programme 2023-2024; and
- d) Challenges of development and implementation of AP-RASP.

I have the pleasure in inviting your State/Administration/Organization to nominate delegates designated by your State/Administration/Organization for the RASG-APAC/13 Meeting. Registration Form is at **Attachment C** to this letter. Online registration can also be accessed from the meeting page <https://www.icao.int/APAC/Meetings/Pages/2023-RASG-APAC13.aspx> or [\[Click here\]](#)

Working/Information Papers (Template given in **Attachment D**) for the RASG-APAC/13, to be sent via email to the ICAO Asia and Pacific Office at APAC@icao.int in MS Word format. The deadline for registration and submission of **Working/Information Papers** is **20 November 2023** for timely uploading on the ICAO APAC website at <https://www.icao.int/APAC/Meetings/Pages/2023-RASG-APAC13.aspx>. States/Administrations are urged to submit WP requiring related deliberations and RASG Decisions only.

As this will be an in-person event, it is highly recommended that you present your papers using MS PowerPoint and if applicable, to include the outcome (Decision/Conclusion) expected from your paper to facilitate drafting of the report. Please also refer to the Meeting Bulletin in **Attachment E** for the meeting/workshop arrangements and other information of interest. Please check the meeting page for updates on courtesy shuttle and/or hotel reservation offers.

Accept, Sir/Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.



for

Tao Ma
Regional Director

Enclosures:

- A – Provisional Agenda for RASG-APAC/13
- B – Programme Details/Order of the Day
- C – Registration Form
- D – Working Paper/Information Paper Template
- E – Meeting Bulletin
- F – Provisional Programme of APICS 2023