

Updates on Air Transport

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State of industry





Asia/Pacific Traffic Trends







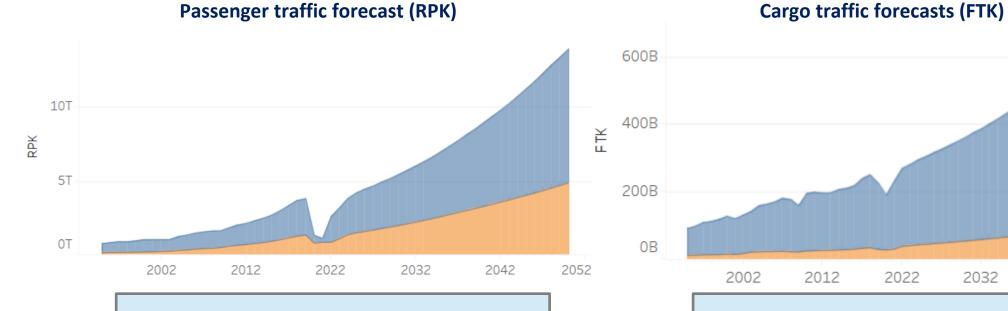
 Passenger traffic in Revenue Passenger-Kilometres (RPKs) increased by 100% in 2023.

 Seat Capacity in Available Seat-Kilometres (ASKs) increased by 79% in 2023. Cargo traffic measures in Freight Tonnes-Kilometres (FTKs) increased by 14% in 2023.



Long Term Traffic Forecasts (Asia/Pacific)









Source: ICAO Long Term Forecasts (CAGR = Compound Annual Growth Rate)



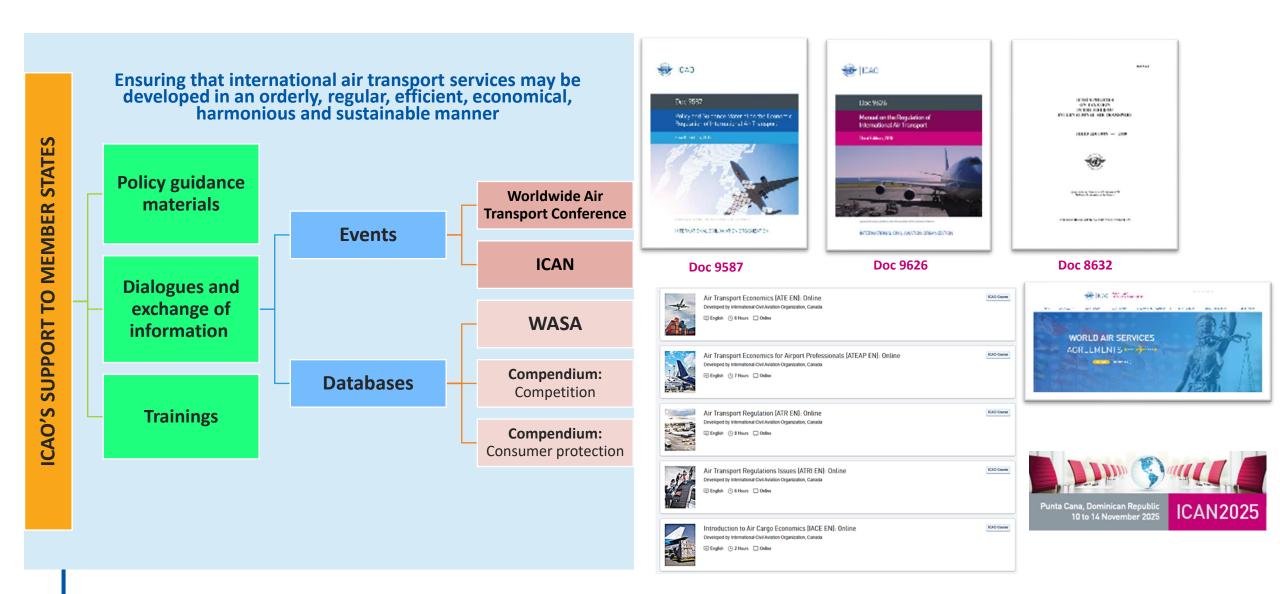
Air Transport Policy and Regulation





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ICAO's Long-term Vision for International Air Transport Liberalization



Recommendations of the Eighteenth Meeting of the ATRP (ATRP/18)

Ongoing works by the Air Transport Regulation Panel (ATRP)



Article 15 of Chicago Convention



Market Access



ICAO Template Air Services Agreements



Economic Guidance on International **Operations of Unmanned Aircraft Systems** (UAS)



Convening of the Seventh **Worldwide Air Transport** Conference (ATConf/7)





Aviation Infrastructure Management





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Promoting the efficient development of aviation infrastructure







Airport Economics Panel and Air Navigation Services Economics Panel (AEP-ANSEP)

ICAO's policies and guidance on infrastructure management and implementation support

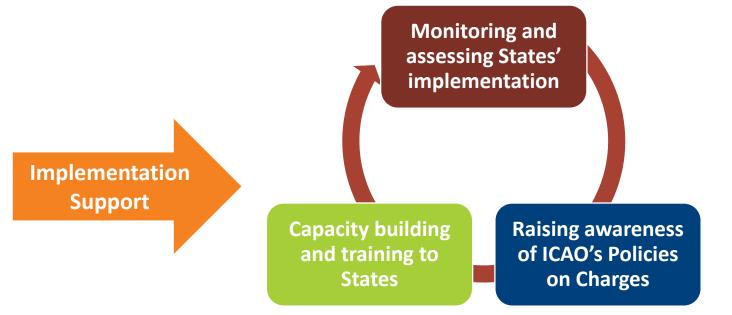


Doc 9082 Doc 9562 Doc 9161



Doc 9980

Doc 10170



- Doc 9082 ICAO's Policies on Charges for Airports and Air Navigation Services
- Doc 9562 Airport Economics Manual
- Doc 9161 Manual on Air Navigation Services Economics
- Doc 9980 Manual on Privatization in the Provision of Airports and Air Navigation Services
- Doc 10170 Manual on Economic and Financial Analyses for Aviation Infrastructure Projects



Ongoing Activities of the Airport Economics Panel and the Air Navigation Services Economics Panel (AEP-ANSEP)

Recommendations of the Tenth Joint Meeting of the Panels (AEP-ANSEP/10)

Invoicing practices for aeronautical charges and development of a minimum level of details in invoices

Development of policies and guidance on airport and air navigation services economics

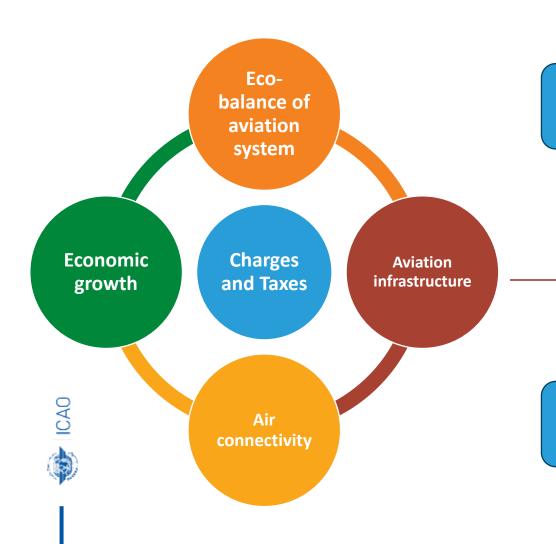
Sustainable funding for civil aviation authorities (CAAs) and States' oversight functions

Collaboration with the meteorological Panel (METP)

Cost recovery mechanisms for the operations of unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) and new entrants



Impact of charges and taxes on air transport development



Charges

Implementation of ICAO's Policies on Charges for Airports and Air Navigation Services (Doc 9082)

Key charging principles: Non-discrimination, cost-relatedness, transparency and consultation with users

Balance between the interests of airports, ANSPs, airlines and passengers

Taxes

Implementation of ICAO's Policies on Taxation on International Air Transport (Doc 8632)

Consider the implication of taxes on the industry's contributions to national economy

Aviation Data and Analysis



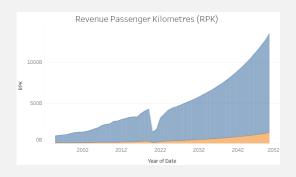
The work on Aviation Data and Analysis

Official aviation statistics with big data sources



A high-quality analytical foundation and enabling granular, timely insights into global aviation activity.

Long-term traffic forecast



A strategic tool for longterm planning, capacity building, and investment prioritization.

Analysis of aviation personnel by gender



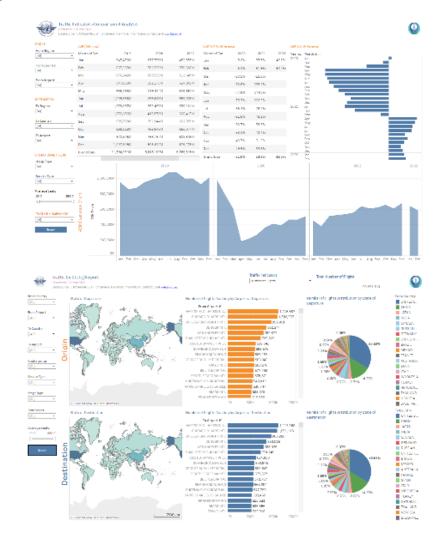


To raise awareness of the still significant aviation gender gap, which will lead to better policy making.



ICAO Traffic and Economic Dashboards

- ★ Interactive dashboards developed using Tableau platform, which provide visualization and customized querying capabilities.
- ★ Covering a wide array of analytics:
 - Operations;
 - Fleet usage;
 - Long-term forecast;
 - Flight Information Region (FIR) traffic;
 - Revenue impact on airlines, airports and air navigation services providers (ANSPs) at different levels of granularity.
- ★ Each Member State has been provided with a free license.





ICAO's support to States





ICAO's capacity building support to States

Online training

Air Transport Regulation online course

Air Transport Regulation Issues online course

Air Transport Economics online course

Air Transport Economics for Airport Professionals online course

Introduction to Air Cargo Economics

In-person/Virtual training

Joint ICAO-ACI training on Airport User Charges

Regional workshop/seminar

Trainings for Member States





Seventh Worldwide Air Transport Conference (ATConf/7)





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