

## Blueprint for Malaysia Free Route Airspace (FRA) Strategic Enhancement

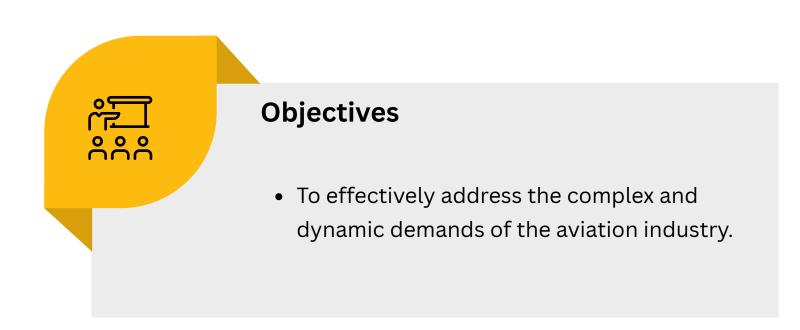
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# Guiding Principles and Strategic Objectives



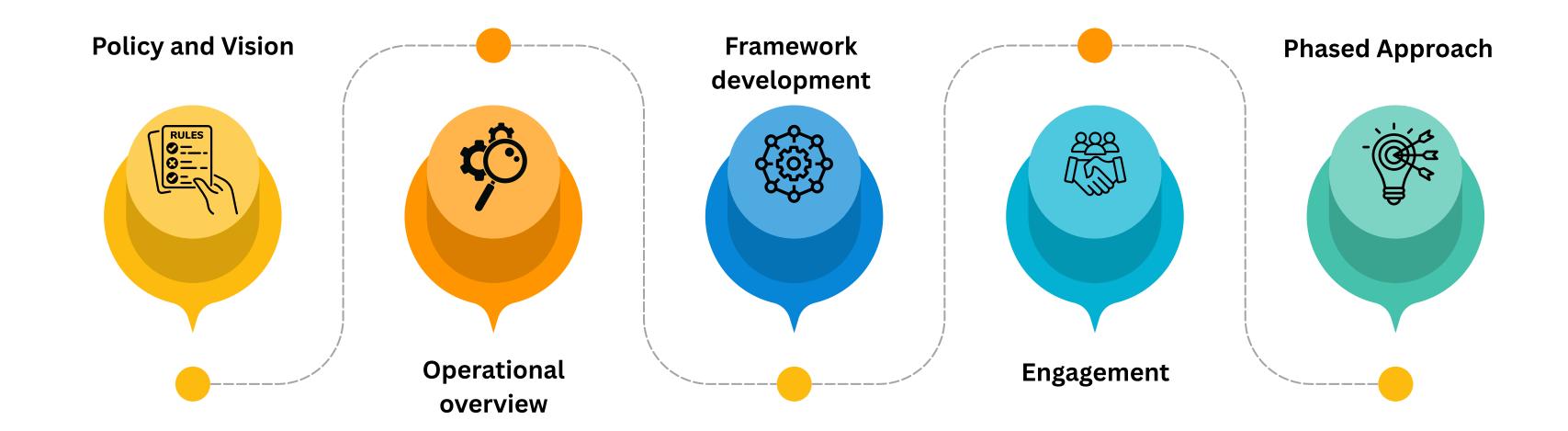


#### **Guiding Principles**

- Ensuring the implementation is in accordance with the standards set forth by the Aviation System Block Upgrades (ASBU).
- Framework is devised to align with the Asia-Pacific (APAC) Seamless Air Navigation Services (ANS) Plan aimed at enhancing aviation safety and efficiency across the Asia-Pacific region.











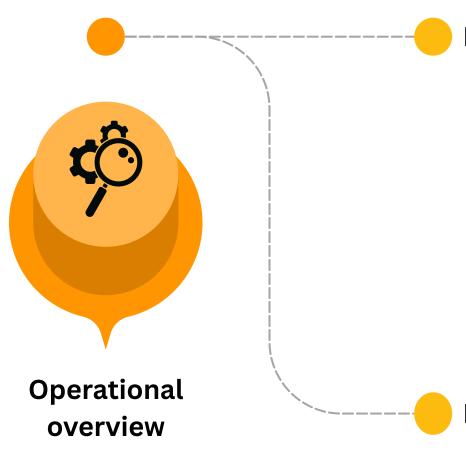


Medium-Term Target (2030 – 2040)

Long-term Target (2040 – 2050)







#### **Existing Implementation Overview**

#### Flexible Use of Airspace (FUA)

- FUA has been extensively implemented within Malaysian airspace.
- Mainly use for military operations. This approach only allows for the dynamic allocation of airspace resources, ensuring that military activities are efficiently integrated with civilian air traffic.

#### **Tactical Direct Track**

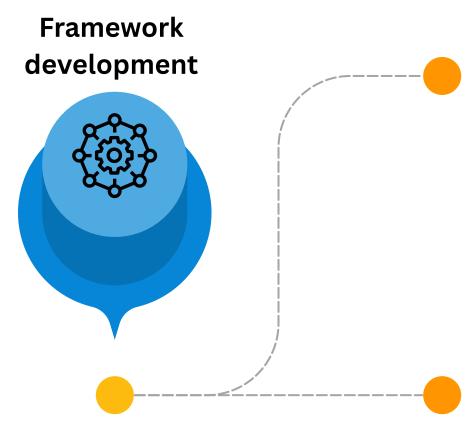
- While the application of direct routing for traffic resolution and track shortening is commonly practised by Air Traffic Control Officers (ATCO) during daily operations, there were no pretactical/strategic arrangements designed and recorded for statistical purposes.
- This practice, however, lacks formalised pre-tactical and strategic arrangements.

#### **Methodology Criteria Overview**

- Regulatory Consideration
- Airspace Structure
- Routes Connectivity
- Traffic Demand
- Flight Planning
- ATC Tools (MONA, MTCD function)
- Communication and Surveillance
- Navigation Specification
- Safety Criteria
- Validation/Performance Criteria







#### **Our Target**

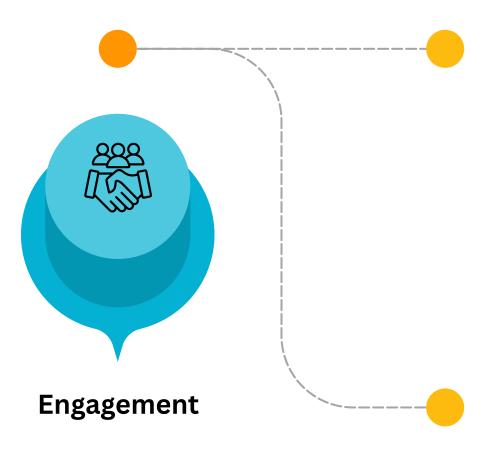
- ASBU FRTO B0-B2
- optimise flight efficiency, with the goal of improving the aviation sector's operational efficiency, capacity, and environmental impact.
- Operational flexibility and empowering airspace users to select their preferred routes, this concept creates opportunities for advancements in airspace design and ATM concepts.
- Facilitate closer civil-military cooperation through the flexible utilisation of airspace.

#### Our approach

- Phased-Approach Implementation
- To ensure a focused and strategic approach to the implementation of the FRTO publication of a comprehensive strategic framework.
- This framework details the expected timeline and key milestones for successful FRTO implementation.
- Aims to facilitate a smoother transition, ensuring all stakeholders are aligned and well-prepared for the changes ahead







#### **Operation**

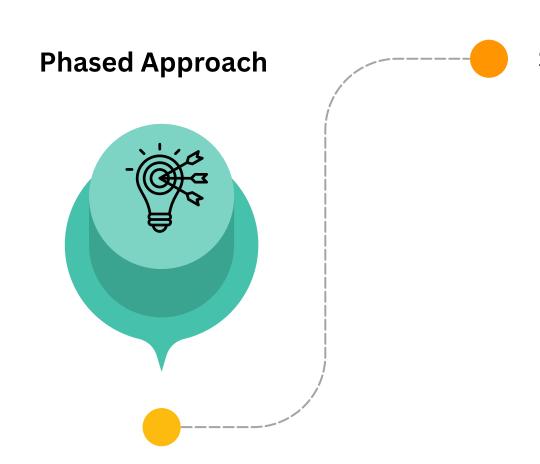
- Understanding needs and limitation (i.e: predictive analysis tools)
- Tailoring suitability
- detailing procedures
- Getting feedback and suggestion
- Safety Risk Assesment
- Training and briefing for ATCO
- Operational Instruction details

#### **Stakeholders**

- Airlines, IATA
- Stakeholder Engagement Platform (CSEC)
- Suggestion and Feedback

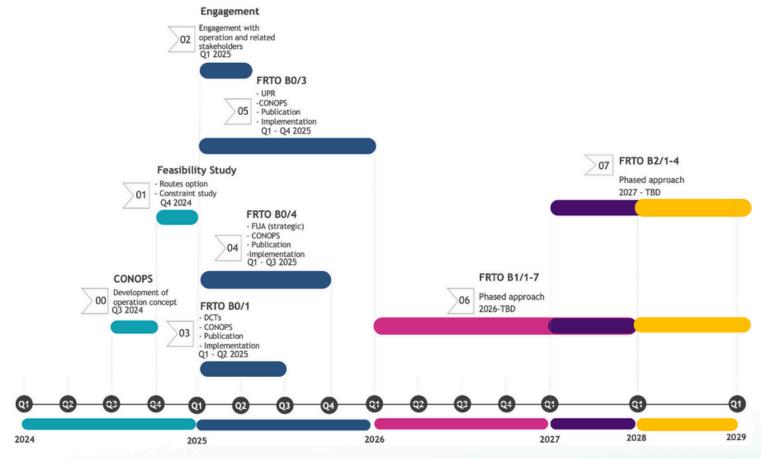






#### **Strategic Roadmap**

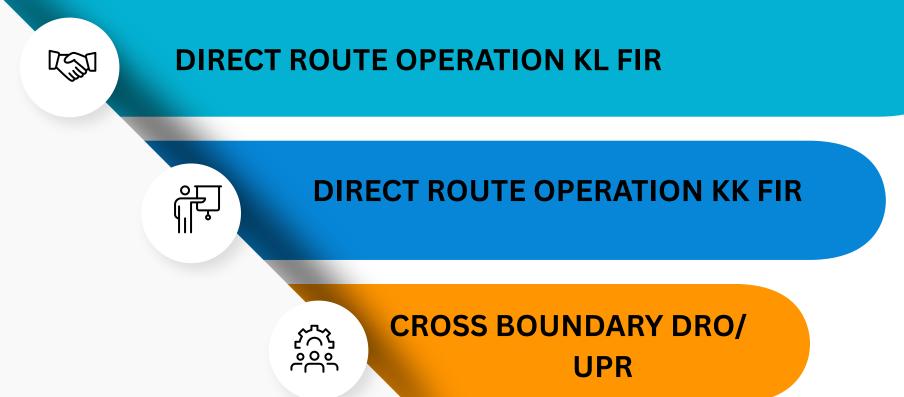
• Malaysia planned roadmap and timeline











- To effectively address this issue and support airlines in improving flight planning, Malaysia is currently implementing DRO within the Kuala Lumpur (KL) Flight Information Region (FIR) for overflight traffic.
- The implementation of DRO within Kota Kinabalu (KK) FIR will proceed in alignment with the framework strategic approach targeted to be implemented by the end of 2025.
- Plans to address domestic needs with an emphasis on traffic management, focusing on traffic resolution and safety assessments.
- Ongoing planning for UPR and/or cross boundary DRO



## **Operational Constraint**



#### Managing complex airspace

- High Volume/busy corridor: Manages high traffic volume for major international hub and multiple airports with complex crisscrossing routes.
- Sectorisation: Divided into many sectors to handle traffic density, requiring complex controller coordination.



#### Validation/performance criteria

- Descriptive and diagnostic analytics tools
- Predictive and Prescriptive analytics tools



## **Coordination and cooperation with stakeholders**

- Identifying possible opportunity for implementation and collaboration.
- TOC/FIR Boundary/ Restricted areas:
  - temporary solution avoidance
  - long term solution (bi-lateral engagement)
- Airspace Management Cell (AMC)



#### Operational Planning and Succession Management

- Bridging the information Gap Between Strategic Management and Operational Execution
- Long term planning Fostering the culture of junior staff involvement in strategic planning





