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ICAO Asia and Pacific (APAC)  
Twenty-Ninth Meeting of the Meteorology Sub-Group  
(MET SG/29)

Bangkok, Thailand, 18 - 22 August 2025

**Agenda Item 9: Any other business****PROPOSED SCHEDULE FOR ICAO APAC MET MEETINGS IN 2026**

(Presented by the Secretariat)

**SUMMARY**

This paper outlines the proposed schedule for ICAO APAC MET meetings in 2026, in accordance with the MET SG Terms of Reference. It highlights coordination efforts among related groups and the importance of aligning meeting dates to maximise participation and efficiency. The paper also reflects recent decisions and proposals from APANPIRG/35 and relevant working groups, including potential joint sessions to address shared priorities such as IWXXM, AMHS, SWIM, and MET/ATM integration.

**1. INTRODUCTION**

1.1 As per the Terms of Reference, the Chairperson of the MET Subgroup (MET SG), in consultation with Members and the Secretary, is responsible for determining the date and duration of meetings. It is customary for the MET SG to agree on the next meeting's schedule during each session and to maintain a tentative calendar of future meetings. This paper presents a consolidated view of proposed meeting dates for 2026, based on recent discussions and decisions from APANPIRG/35 and associated working groups.

**2. DISCUSSION**

2.1 APANPIRG/35 endorsed a tentative schedule for meetings of APANPIRG, its Subgroups, and Contributory Bodies for 2025 and 2026 (**Appendix A**). The Chairperson emphasised the importance of in-person participation to enhance collaboration and engagement.

2.2 Hong Kong, China has expressed its intention to host APANPIRG/36 and RASG-APAC/15 in early December 2025, coinciding with the CANSO Airspace APAC event scheduled for 8–11 December 2025.

2.3 Regarding MET-specific meetings:

- **MET/IE WG/24** is tentatively proposed to be held from **20–24 April 2026 in Fiji**, in conjunction with **ACSICG/13**, allowing for a joint session to address common topics such as IWXXM, AMHS, and SWIM. This proposal will be discussed in the MET/IE WG progress report to **MET SG/29**.

- **MET/R WG/15** is tentatively scheduled for **April/May 2026 in Bangkok**, alongside a **MET/ATM Seminar** and **ATFM/SG/16**, with final dates to be coordinated with ATFM/SG.
- **MET SG/30** is tentatively planned for **July 2026 in Bangkok**, continuing the tradition of mid-year MET SG meetings.

2.4                These coordinated scheduling efforts aim to optimise resource use, encourage cross-group collaboration, and ensure timely progress on regional MET initiatives.

### **3.        ACTION BY THE MEETING**

3.1                The meeting is invited to note the information contained in this paper.

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Extracted from APANPIRG/35, Report on Agenda Item 5

2026 – MEETINGS, WORKSHOPS AND SEMINARS		
Meetings	Tentative Dates	Venue
AP-ADO/TF/7	January	Bangkok, Thailand
AP-AAWG/8	March	Bangkok, Thailand
MET/IE WG/24	March	Bangkok, Thailand
SURSG/5	March	Bangkok, Thailand
SAIOSEACG/5	March	Bangkok, Thailand
ATFM/SG/16	April	Bangkok, Thailand
ACSICG/13	April	Bangkok, Thailand
SRWG/10	May	Bangkok, Thailand
MET/R WG/15	April / May	Bangkok, Thailand
GBAS/SBAS ITF/8	May	Bangkok, Thailand
SWIM TF/11	May	Bangkok, Thailand
APSAR/WG/11	May	Bangkok, Thailand
AP-WHM/WG/8	May	Bangkok, Thailand
SURICG/11	June	Bangkok, Thailand
ATMAS TF/7	June	Bangkok, Thailand
AAITF/21	June	Bangkok, Thailand
FIT-Asia/16	June / July	Bangkok, Thailand
AOP/SG/10	June / July	Bangkok, Thailand
CRV OG/15	July	Bangkok, Thailand
MET SG/30	July	Bangkok, Thailand
SCSTFRG/14	July	Bangkok, Thailand
PIRG/RASG Coordination Meeting	July / August	Bangkok, Thailand
RASMAG/31	July / August	Bangkok, Thailand
ATM/SG/14	August / September	Bangkok, Thailand
CNS SG/30	September	Bangkok, Thailand
BOBTFRG/8	November	TBD
APANPIRG/37 and RASG-APAC/16	November / December	TBD
61 <sup>st</sup> DGCA Conference	TBD	Malaysia

ACRONYMS	
AAITF	Aeronautical Information Services – Aeronautical Information Management Implémentation Task Force
ACSICG	Aeronautical Communication Services (ACS) Implementation Co-ordination Group
AOP/SG	Aerodrome Operations and Planning Sub Group
AP-AA/WG	Asia/Pacific Aerodrome Assistance Working Group
APAC AIG	Asia Pacific Accident Investigation Group
AP-ADO/TF	Asia/Pacific Aerodrome Design and Operations Task Force
APANPIRG	Asia/Pacific Air Navigation Planning and Implementation Group
APSARWG	Asia Pacific Search and Rescue Work Group
APUASTF	Asia Pacific Unmanned Aircraft System Task Force
AP-WHM/WG	Asia/Pacific Wildlife Hazard Management Working Group
ATFM/SG	Air Traffic Flow Management Steering Group
ATM/SG	Air Traffic Management Sub Group
ATMAS TF	ATM Automation System Task Force

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ACRONYMS	
BOBTFRG	Bay of Bangel Traffic Flow Review Group
CNS/SG	CNS Sub-Group of APANPIRG
CRV OG	Common Regional Virtual Private Network (VPN) Operations Group
CSMMTC – MCIS	CAA Senior and Middle Managers Training Course (CSMMTC) on Managing Compliance with ICAO SARPs (MCIS)
FIT-Asia	FANS Interoperability Team-Asia
FPP SCM	Flight Procedure Programme Steering Committee
GBAS/SBAS ITF	GBAS and SBAS Implementation Task Force
ISTF	Ionospheric Study Task Force
MET/IE WG	Meteorological Information Exchange Working Group (of the MET SG)
MET/R WG	Meteorological Requirements Working Group (of the MET SG)
MET SG	Meteorology Sub-Group of APANPIRG
PBNICG	Performance Based Navigation Implementation and Coordination Group
PSIDS	Pacific Small Islands Developing States – Aviation Needs Analysis
RACP/TF	Regional ATM Contingency Planning Task Force
RASMAG	Regional Airspace Monitoring Advisory Group of APANPIRG
SAIOSEACG	South Asia, Indian Ocean and Southeast Asia ATM Coordination Group
SCSTFRG	South China Sea Traffic Flow Review Group
SEA/BOB ADS-B WG	South East Asia and Bay of Bengal Sub-regional ADS-B Implementation Working Group
SRWG	Spectrum Review Working Group
SURICG	Surveillance Implementation Coordination Group
SURSG	Surveillance data sharing Study Group
SWIMTF	System Wide Information Management Task Force