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*International Civil Aviation Organization***Sixth Meeting of the Asia/Pacific Aerodrome Design and Operations Task Force (AP-ADO/TF/6)***Langkawi, Malaysia, 17 - 21 February 2025***Agenda Item 2: Review Outcome of Relevant Meetings****OUTCOMES OF THE WORKSHOP ON TRANSPOSITION ANNEX 14 SARPs INTO NATIONAL AERODROME STANDARDS**

(Presented by ACI on behalf of the members of the Small Working Group for ADO Task 5/2)

SUMMARY

This paper presents the outcome of the workshop on the transposition of Annex 14 SARPs into National Aerodrome Standards for the meeting's review and comment, and endorsement prior submission to AOP-SG/9 for endorsement.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The ICAO APAC Workshop on Transposition of Annex 14 SARPs into National Aerodrome Standards was conducted on 17 February 2025 at the Aloft Hotel in Langkawi Pantai Tengah, Malaysia.

1.2 Per the mandate of Task 5/2 ADO-TF/5, the small working group responsible held six meetings virtually from February 2024 to January 2025 to plan and organized the workshop.

1.3 This paper presents the key takeaways of the workshop for the meeting's review, comments and endorsement.

2. DISCUSSIONSummary of the Workshop

2.1 The purpose of the workshop is to disseminate good practices in the transposition of AGA related Annex 14 Volume 1 SARPs, in particular Recommended Practices, into national regulatory requirements for aerodrome operators so as to maximise the safety performance of aerodrome operations given the limited human, financial and other resources available, on the sound basis of safety risk assessments, and as per the State Safety Programme of the State concerned.

2.2 The Workshop considered seventeen (17) presentations provided by the participating experts under the following agenda items:

Agenda Item 1: Relationship between ICAO Annex 14 SARPs and National Standards

Agenda Item 2: Electronic Filling of Differences

Agenda Item 3: Safety Risk Assessments/Aeronautical Studies (State Regulator's Perspective)

Agenda Item 4: Aeronautical Studies from the Perspective of Aerodrome Operators

Agenda Item 5: Stakeholder Engagement and Consultation
Agenda Item 6: Case Studies on Alternative Means of Compliance

2.3 The program workshop is in the **Attachment A**.

Key Takeaways

2.4 Global uniformity will facilitate and improve air navigation; and this uniformity is achieved by integrating the SARPs into the national legal framework and practices of the Contracting States and by implementing them in a timely manner for the safety, regularity and efficiency of air navigation worldwide.

2.5 Annex 14, Volume I contains minimum SARPs (specifications) for aerodrome design and operations.

2.6 States may have different procedures and processes for rule making, including the assessment of applicability taking into account different considerations. However, in transposing new or amended SARPs into the national regulations, the primary consideration should be given to safety.

2.7 Implementation of ICAO Annex 14 Recommendations is important in the interest of aviation safety.

2.8 The ultimate responsibility of ensuring aviation safety rests with States. Articles 37 and 38 mandate systematic management of differences. Through digital transformation, transitioning to Electronic Filling of Differences (EFOD) streamlines compliance processes, which supports harmonisation and enhances aviation safety worldwide.

2.9 Engage key stakeholders (civil aviation authorities, airport operators, airlines, air navigation service providers, and industry representatives) from the outset. Involve/include/consult industry experts and professional bodies for technical input and adaptation. Consider institutionalising or establishing governance bodies with appropriate stakeholders (e.g. Aviation Safety Advisory Panel and Technical Working Groups).

2.10 Explain the scope and impact of the new regulations (the potential operational, economic, and environmental impact of transposing Annex 14). Consider the use of online tools and establishing open channels (e.g., Consultation Hub/Online webinars) for feedback and regular updates.

2.11 In parallel, develop guidance materials to support buy-in, compliance, and timeliness of implementation. Organise workshops, seminars, and training for regulators, airport operators, and industry stakeholders.

2.12 Safety risk assessment is crucial for both states and airport operators to find practical solutions to address deviations without compromising safety.

3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

3.1 The meeting is invited to note and agree with the key takeaways of the workshop for submission to AOP/SG/9 for endorsement.

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