REGIONAL AVIATION SECURITY MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE AFRICA/INDIAN OCEAN (AFI) AND MIDDLE EAST (MID) REGIONS

Preliminary Programme

Theme: Global Aviation Security Plan (GASeP)

The Roadmap to Foster Aviation Security in Africa and the Middle East

Note - This event will be held in Arabic, English and French	
When:	**22 to 24 August 2017**
Where:	**Maritim International Congress Center, Sharm El Sheikh, Egypt**
Participants & Invitees:	**ICAO Member States:** Ministers of Transport/Aviation and DGCAs**;** **International Organizations:** ICAO, UN-CTED, IATA, ACI and CANSO **Regional civil aviation bodies:** ACAC, AFCAC and AU **AFI-MID Regional Organizations:** TBD

Summary

This Conference aims to promote an open dialogue between Member States and stakeholders in the AFI and MID Regions, and will focus on priority setting at the regional and State levels in order to address common aviation security challenges, as well as to meet the goals and targets established by the Global Aviation Security Plan (GASeP).

The Conference will comprise two parts: a Senior Officials Meeting and the Ministerial Conference. Both will be open to all participants and invitees.

Part I: Senior Officials Meeting

Scope: The Senior Officials Meeting will develop a draft Regional Action Plan, taking into account the following: aviation security outcomes of the 39th ICAO Assembly; goals and targets of the GASeP; aviation security challenges in the AFI and MID Regions; and regional initiatives to strengthen global aviation security.

Objective: The Meeting will produce a draft Regional Action Plan for adoption by Ministers.

Part II: Ministerial Conference

Scope: The Ministerial Conference will reaffirm the need to enhance implementation of international aviation security standards and measures in order to address global aviation security matters from a regional perspective.

Objectives: The Ministerial Conference will:

- consider regional commitments set forth in a draft Regional Action Plan; and
- adopt the Regional Action Plan.

DAY 1 - TUESDAY, 22 AUGUST 2017 (SENIOR OFFICIALS MEETING)	
8:00 – 9:00	• Registration (only for unregistered participants)
09:00 - 09:30	**Opening Session: Keynote Speech** • Mr. Hany El Adawy, President of ECAA, Egypt • Mr. Boubacar Djibo, Director of Air Transport Bureau, ICAO
09:30 - 11:00	**Session 1: Aviation security outcomes of the 39th Session of the ICAO Assembly** In this session, aviation security experts will discuss the strategic priorities for the current triennium, as endorsed by the 39th Session of the ICAO Assembly, taking into account the rapidly evolving threat and risk environment and anticipated traffic growth. Experts will also review the implementation of the United Nations Security Council Resolution 2309 one year after its adoption.
11:00 - 11:30	***Coffee Break***
11:30 - 13:00	**Session 2: Development of the Global Aviation Security Plan** This session will provide information on the timeline for the final approval of the Global Aviation Security Plan (GASeP), the Plan's structure, including its main goal, and associated priority areas/actions.
13:00 - 14:30	***Lunch Break***
14:30 - 16:00	**Session 3: Aviation security challenges in AFI and MID Regions** In this session, discussions will be focused on global aviation security challenges generally, as well as security issues and needs unique to the Africa/Indian Ocean (AFI) and Middle East (MID) Regions.
End of Day 1	
DAY 2 - WEDNESDAY, 23 AUGUST 2017 (SENIOR OFFICIALS MEETING)	
09:00 - 10:30	**Session 4: Regional security initiatives to strengthen global aviation security** In this session, regional security representatives will discuss the role of the Regions in addressing global aviation security matters from the regional perspective, including lessons learned from the development and implementation of the Comprehensive Regional Implementation Plan for Aviation Security and Facilitation in Africa for the AFI and MID Regions.
10:30 - 11:00	***Coffee Break***
11:00 - 12:30	**Session 5: Regional Road Map** In this session, aviation security experts will discuss a draft Regional Roadmap which will serve to affirm the regional commitment to implementing the GASeP, while reaffirming the need to enhance international aviation security standards and measures in order to respond more effectively to new and emerging threats.
12:30 - 14:00	***Lunch Break***
14:00 - 16:00	**Continue development of draft Regional Road Map**
Gala dinner	
End of Day 2	

DAY 3 - THURSDAY, 24 AUGUST 2017 (MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE)	
09:00 - 10:30	**Official Opening of Ministerial Conference** • **His Excellency Mr. Sherif Fathi,** *Minister of Civil Aviation, Egypt* • **Dr. Benard Aliu,** *President of the ICAO Council* **Statements by Ministers: TBD**
10:30 - 11:00	***Coffee Break***
11:00 - 12:30	**Policy dialogue on implementing the GASeP in the AFI and MID Regions (TBD)**
12:30 - 14:00	***Lunch Break***
14:00 - 14:30	**Adoption of the Regional Roadmap**
End of Day 3 and Regional Aviation Security Ministerial Conference	

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