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Action

required : See paragraphs 3, 4 and 5

Dear Colleagues,

1. I wish to inform you that the Collaborative Arrangement for the Prevention and Management of Public Health Events in Civil Aviation –Europe (CAPSCA EUR) Focal Persons Workshop 2024, will take place in the ICAO EUR NAT Regional Office in Paris, France, **from 14 to 15 November 2024, starting at 09:30 hours on Thursday 14 November 2024, with registration at 09:00 hours.**

2. The provisional Work Programme for the CAPSCA EUR FP Workshop 2024 is provided in [Attachment A](#). The CAPSCA EUR FP Workshop 2024 aims to provide recurrent training and updates to the CAPSCA EUR Regional network/appointed CAPSCA EUR Focal Persons on ICAO CAPSCA and WHO policies, guidelines, capacities and tools, concerning Public Health Emergencies (PHE) in the aviation sector. Through discussions and exchanges, participants from Member States and International Organizations will share best practices and experience on crisis management, during both the preparedness and response phases in managing Public Health Emergencies (PHE) affecting air transport. The CAPSCA EUR FP Workshop 2024 will simultaneously provide an opportunity to inform and commit the regional CAPSCA State Focal Persons to the updated CAPSCA Program activities and encourage continuous support for the recently established CAPSCA Working Groups.

3. I would like to take this opportunity to encourage ICAO EUR Member States who have not yet nominated an ICAO EUR CAPSCA Focal Person, to join the CAPSCA programme by expressing their intent through a return e-mail to Mr. Sarantis Poulimenakos, CAPSCA EUR Regional Coordinator, (spoulimenakos@icao.int), with a copy to Ms. Catherine Daly, (cdaly@icao.int), as above. ICAO Member States are encouraged to nominate more than one CAPSCA EUR Focal Person, ideally coming from both Civil Aviation and Public Health sectors.

4. Participants from other CAPSCA EUR stakeholders and relevant organizations (airport companies, airports, ANSPs, customs authorities etc.) are also encouraged to actively participate in the Workshop and present topics of their interest. Accordingly, please disseminate this invitation within your State's aviation authority or administration as deemed necessary.

5. Practical information can be found on the ICAO EUR/NAT website at: <https://www.icao.int/EURNAT/Pages/Practical-Information.aspx>. States who need a **Visa support letter**, please be informed that such request shall be sent to Ms. Catherine Daly cdaly@icao.int. You are kindly invited to register your participation by email to the CAPSCA EUR coordinator Mr. Sarantis Poulimenakos spoulimenakos@icao.int and Ms. Catherine Daly cdaly@icao.int no later than **08 November 2024**.

Yours faithfully,

Sarantis Poulimenakos
CAPSCA EUR Coordinator

Enclosure: Attachment A – Provisional Work Programme

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