



ICAO



International Air Law Treaty Workshop

Provisional Programme

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Day 1 - Wednesday, 22 May 2024 – CET

09:00 09:15	Onsite Registration and badges collection
09:15 09:25	Session 1 – Opening Opening & Welcome Addresses
09:25 10:30	Session 2 - Introducing key air law treaties – Background, overview of policy objectives and ratification status <i>Speakers will present an overview of air law treaty development over the last 100 years and how ICAO’s work in the legal field contributes to the development of air law. The major objectives and main elements of key air law treaties adopted under the auspices of ICAO in the fields of aviation safety and security and air carrier liability will be presented. Speakers will highlight how these treaties enable the aviation industry to address and deal with new and emerging threats to civil aviation, modernise the air carrier liability regime and curb the escalation of unruly and disruptive passenger behaviour on board aircraft. Participants will receive first-hand updated information about the status of ratifications by their States and other States in the Europe and North Atlantic region and around the world regarding of the selected air law treaties and the role a civil aviation administration together with relevant agencies can play to support its State in the ratification process.</i>
10:30 10:45	Coffee Break Group photo

<p>10:45 12:15</p>	<p>Treaty Review Sessions</p> <p>Session3: MC 1999: <i>Convention for the Unification of Certain Rules for International Carriage by Air (Montreal, 1999).</i></p> <p><i>Panelists will outline the global efforts and motivations that informed the modernisation of the Warsaw regime on air carrier liability since 1929, leading to the development of MC 99 and supplemented with a case study illustrating how universal adoption of MC 99 addresses uniformity in the liability regimes for aircraft operators and avoid the fragmentation of applicable compensation regimes, thereby enabling fair and equitable compensation for passenger and cargo consignees affected by disruption, loss or tragedy in the course of air travel. Legislative and key judicial developments on specific provisions of the treaty will be elaborated. Emerging trends in the development and implementation of air passenger rights legislation will also be highlighted.</i></p>
<p>12:15 13:45</p>	<p>Lunch</p>
<p>13:45 15:30</p>	<p>Session 4 - Beijing 2010 Instruments</p> <p><i>Convention on the Suppression of Unlawful Acts Relating to International Civil Aviation (Beijing, 2010) and Protocol Supplementary to the Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Seizure of Aircraft (Beijing, 2010)</i></p> <p><i>Speakers will trace the evolution of aerial crime over the last century since the start of commercial air travel and how international air instruments have been used to address the dramatically changing aviation security landscape. The presentations will specifically illustrate how the Beijing 2010 Instruments were developed to deal with new and emerging threats against civil aviation and to reflect innovations in counter terrorism law since the early aviation security treaties were developed over 50 years ago. Specific provisions highlighting the enhancements introduced by the Beijing 2010 Instruments will be examined.</i></p> <p><i>A case study will present a scenario(s) of how a cyberattack against civil aviation could be launched and invite participants using a selected scenario to examine how the Beijing 2010 Instruments would apply to incidents of cyberattacks against civil aviation.</i></p>

15:15 15:30	Coffee Break
15:30 17:00	Session 5 - Treaties Supporting ICAO’s Global Outreach to States <i>This presentation will highlight the key elements of the international legal framework that accord privileges and immunities to ICAO and how they facilitate the work of ICAO in the States pursuant to United Nations Convention of the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies, New York, 21 November 1947. Key aspects to be addressed, including corresponding implementation in national legislation in ensuring the proper the administration of privileges and immunities by State agencies, will be examined.</i>

Day 2 - Thursday, 23 May 2024 – CET

9.00 10.30	Session 6 - MP 14: <i>Protocol to Amend the Convention on Offences and Certain Other Acts Committed on Board Aircraft (Montréal, 2014)</i> <i>Participants will receive first-hand information about the state of the issue of unruly and disruptive passengers and ongoing trends since the COVID-19 pandemic. Presenters will highlight specific provisions introduced to assist States to deal with the escalation of the severity and frequency of unruly and disruptive passenger behaviour aboard aircraft. Participants will also receive expositions of guidance material developed by ICAO to assist States to prevent or respond to unruly and disruptive passenger incidents and implement MP 14. A case study will illustrate the nature and impact of unruly and disruptive behaviour and how it can be dealt with under the treaty framework together with implementing national legislation and industry guidance, including ICAO Doc 10117.</i>
10:30 10:45	Coffee Break

<p>10:45 12:10</p>	<p>Session 7 Tools for effective ratification – requirements and processes and practical experiences (ICAO and State perspectives)</p> <p><i>Participants will receive and respond to first-hand information about how the treaty ratification process works. ICAO’s requirements for ratification of air law instruments, whether amending the Chicago Convention or a new treaty, will be highlighted. Speakers will highlight the necessary steps leading to and following the deposit of an instrument of ratification, accession or acceptance with the depositary, highlighting impediments that may be avoided and examining ICAO and UN treaty practices to handle novel situations including the treatment of notifications, declarations and reservations and identify resources available to assist States in the ratification process. Information on registration of aeronautical agreements including air services agreements and Article 83bis agreements and ICAO’s online database (WAGMAR) will also be provided.</i></p>
<p>12:10 13:45</p>	<p>Lunch</p>
<p>13:45 17:00</p> <p>30 min Coffee Break</p>	<p>Session 8 - Action plan: After Paris IAL- What shall we do next?</p> <p><i>Participants will be invited in a group format to discuss in a brain storming session the challenges opportunities, means and tools to attain ratification and identify strategies and proposals for facilitating the ratification and implementation of air law treaties in the future and what their roles will be; what support should be provided by ICAO; and mechanisms to collaborate and exchange information to keep abreast of relevant air law and related treaty developments around the world.</i></p>
	<p>Closing</p>