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Subject: **Revised - Tenth Meeting of Middle East North Africa Aircraft Accident and Incident Investigation Regional Cooperation Mechanism (MENA ARCM/10) Committee *(Muscat, Oman, 5 November 2026)* and**

European Co-ordination Centre for Accident and Incident Reporting Systems (ECCAIRS 2) Workshop *(Muscat, Oman, 3 - 4 November 2026)*

Action required: **Reply not later than 20 October 2026**

Sir,

Reference is made to the invitation letter Ref: FS 4/4 & FS 4/2 – 26/178 dated 2 September 2026. For operational reasons, the sequence of the two events has been revised. The MENA ARCM/10 Meeting, previously scheduled for 2–3 November 2026, will now be held on 5 November 2026. The ECCAIRS 2 Workshop, previously scheduled for 4–5 November 2026, will now be held on 3–4 November 2026. Both events remain in Muscat during the same week. This revised invitation supersedes the previous invitation with respect to the event dates.

Accordingly, I have the honour to invite your Administration/Organization to participate in the **Tenth Meeting of the Middle East North Africa Aircraft Accident and Incident Investigation Regional Cooperation Mechanism (MENA ARCM/10) Committee on 5 November 2026,** preceded by the Workshop on the ***European Co-ordination Centre for Accident and Incident Reporting Systems (ECCAIRS 2)*** **from 3 to 4 November 2026.**

The revised Provisional Agenda of the MENA ARCM/10 Meeting is at **Attachment A**. Your comments on the attached Provisional Agenda, including any amendments you may wish to suggest, would be highly appreciated.

For greater effectiveness, I would be grateful if your delegation could include your State's MENA ARCM and AIG focal points to participate in the MENA ARCM/10 Meeting. In addition, I would like to invite your Administration to nominate participants from the Aircraft Accident Investigation Authority and the Civil Aviation Authority to attend the ECCAIRS 2 Workshop.

The Bulletin of the Meeting, which includes administrative arrangements and other useful information for participants, along with the Hotel List, is at **Attachment B**. The venue for both events will be the **Kempinski** Hotel Muscat, Oman.

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To enable timely preparation and proper conduct of the Meeting and Workshop, I would appreciate it if you could, as soon as possible and preferably no later than **20 October 2026**, confirm the participation and registration of your designated delegates/Members through the following link: Registration Link.

Should you require any further information regarding these events, please contact the ICAO MID Office at (icaomid@icao.int), Mr. Mashhor Alblowi, Regional Officer, Aircraft Operations and Flight Safety, at (MAlblowi@icao.int), and ACAO Mr. Hicham Bennani, Safety & Air Navigation Expert at (H.bennani@acao.org.ma).

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.



Mohamed Khalifa Rahma
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ICAO Middle East Office

Attachments

ATTACHMENT A

TENTH MEETING OF MENA ARCM COMMITTEE

(MUSCAT, OMAN, 5 NOVEMBER 2026)

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Agenda Item 1: Adoption of the Provisional Agenda

Agenda Item 2: Regional Performance Framework

- Updated Progress on MENA ARCM Areas of Cooperation & Technical Assistance
- Outcome of RASG-MID/13 meeting
- Follow-up on the RASG-MID/13 Conclusions and Decisions
- MID Region safety priorities and Status of safety target
- Amendment 20 to Annex 13 update
- Update progress on MENA ARCM Safety Recommendations Platform

Agenda Item 3: Future Work Programme

Agenda Item 4: Any other Business

ECCAIRS 2 WORKSHOP

EUROPEAN CO-ORDINATION CENTRE FOR ACCIDENT AND INCIDENT REPORTING SYSTEMS (ECCAIRS 2) WORKSHOP

(MUSCAT, OMAN, 3 - 4 NOVEMBER 2026)

International Civil Aviation Organization

Tenth Meeting of Middle East and North Africa Aircraft Accident and Incident Investigation Regional Cooperation Mechanism (MENA ARCM/10) Committee *(Muscat, Oman, 5 November 2026)* and

European Co-ordination Centre for Accident and Incident Reporting Systems (ECCAIRS 2) Workshops *(Muscat, Oman, 3 -4 November 2026)*

BULLETIN

1. LOCATION

1.1 The Tenth Meeting of Middle East and North Africa Aircraft Accident and Incident Investigation Regional Cooperation Mechanism (MENA ARCM/10) Meeting and the European Co-ordination Centre for Accident and Incident Reporting Systems (ECCAIRS 2) Workshop will be held back-to-back at **Kempinski Hotel Muscat,** Sultanate of Oman, from 3 to 5 November 2026, respectively.

2. SCHEDULE OF THE WORKSHOP

2.1 The opening session of the Meeting will be starting at 0900 hours (LT) on Thursday, 5 November 2026.

2.2 The ECCAIRS 2 Workshop will be starting at 0900 hours on Tuesday, 3 November 2026.

2.3 The MENA ARCM/10 Meeting will be starting at 0900 hours on Thursday, 5 November 2026.

2.4 The daily schedule and the order of the day will be announced at the opening session.

2.5 The Meeting and the workshop will be conducted in English language.

3. REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS

3.1 Participants are requested to register at the Registration Desk located at the entrance of the Meeting Hall, between 0800 and 0855 hours on the opening day of the Meeting, where the participants will be issued with the identification badges. Participants are also requested to wear the identification badge at all times.

4. HOTELS RESERVATION/RETURN AIRLINE BOOKINGS

4.1 Participants are requested to ensure that their return airline booking is confirmed soon after their arrival in Muscat, through their respective hotel reception desk. A list of hotels with the Oman Ministry of Transport, Communications, and Information Technology corporate rate is attached for your convenience, with telephone/fax numbers and addresses. You will need to arrange your own hotel reservation. Additional options can be obtained through www.booking.com or other hotel reservation platforms.

5. TRANSPORTATION

5.1 Participants are requested to make their own arrangements for transportation from the airport to the city and return.

5.2 Airport taxi services operate private limousine services from the airport to Muscat City, and its neighborhoods at OMR 10.000 Riyals Omani approximately per vehicle.

5.3 Car rental agencies are located at the arrival hall of the airport terminal building.

6. INSURANCE

6.1 Participants are advised to have insurance coverage for any unexpected contingency, including transport hazards (taxi, buses, rented cars, etc.) and Medical Coverage.

7. SOME USEFUL TRAVEL INFORMATION

PASSPORT

7.1 All foreign nationals entering the Sultanate of Oman must possess valid passports or other valid documents for travel. Documents with less than six months to run before expiry are not acceptable.

VISA

7.2 It is mandatory for participants requiring entry visa to the Sultanate of Oman to apply/obtain suitable visas from the Oman's Embassy or Consulate in their Country prior to their departure to Oman or online on www.rop.gov.om.

7.3 With a view to assist in the process of issuance of an entry visa to the Sultanate of Oman, please send all required information and documents to the attention of:

1. Mrs. Shadha Salim Al Shuaibi Email: OTSB@mtcit.gov.om
2. Mr. Hamood Said Al Jahdhami Email: Hamood.AlJahdhami@mtcit.gov.om

7.4 It is mandatory for all non-GCC participants to obtain visas from the Sultanate of Oman Embassy or Consulate in their country prior to their departure for Muscat, or online application through www.rop.gov.om. Some non-GCC citizens may obtain visas on arrival. These nationalities are listed in the following website: www.rop.gov.om and search for passport and residence services.

CUSTOMS

7.4 The following items may be brought into the Sultanate of Oman:

Personal effects, such as necessary clothing
200 cigarettes or 250 gr. of cigars or tobacco
Perfume for personal use.

Additional quantities of the above items may also be purchased at Muscat International Airport duty-free arrival shops before clearing customs. A Reasonable quantities of alcoholic drinks at this outlet can be purchased.

8. CURRENCY, CREDIT CARDS AND BANKING SERVICES

8.1 The unit of currency in Oman is the **Omani Riyal (OMR).** The unit is divided into 1000 baizes with notes of 100, and 500 baizes and Rial notes of 1, 5, 10, 20, and 50. The Rial to USD exchange rate is 1 OMR = 2.6 US$

8.2 There are no restrictions on the import of foreign currency.

8.3 International Credit Cards, such as American Express, Diners Club, Visa, Master Card, Carte Blanche, etc., are usually accepted at most hotels, department stores, and restaurants.

8.4 All commercial banks exchange major foreign currencies and are open 0800-1400 hours Sundays through Thursdays. There are also plenty of foreign exchange houses which do accept foreign currencies. There are plenty of ATM machines all over Oman, which are strategically located.

9. OTHER USEFUL INFORMATION

SHOPPING

9.1 Be prepared to bargain in small shops, sidewalk vendors, etc. In large stores, however, the prices are fixed.

TAP WATER

9.2 It is recommended that all visitors drink only bottled water/beverages; however, tap water is safe for drinking.

TELEPHONE

9.3 Mobile SIM cards are available at the Service providers outlets at the airport arrival hall and all major commercial centers.

10. WEATHER CONDITIONS

10.1 The main daily maximum and minimum temperatures for the month of April are between 34ºC by day and drop to 24ºC during the nights. Please refer to http://www.accuweather.com/en/om/muscat/258638/june-weather/258638 for further updates.

11. OTHER ASSISTANCE

11.1 The Sultanate of Oman Transport Safety Bureau (OTSB) will be glad to assist the participants to the Meeting with any advice they may require.

11.2 In case of emergency in the Sultanate of Oman, please call Focal Point from the OTSB is

Captain Khalifa Mohammed Al-Abdali
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LIST OF HOTELS
(SULTANATE OF OMAN)

HOTEL	ADDRESS	E-MAIL	TEL. NO.	FAX. NO.
KEMPINSKI HOTEL MUSCAT	Al-Mouj Muscat	events.muscat@kempinski.com	+968 249885000	
ST. REGIS AL MOUJ RESORT	Al Mouj Muscat	https://www.marriott.com/en-us/hotels/mctxr-the-st-regis-al-mouj-muscat-resort/overview/	+96822711111	
HOLIDAY INN MUSCAT AL SEEB	Al Mawaleh South, Al Seeb Muscat	Email shall be sent to: - Mawiya Al Balushi Senior Sales Manager mawiya.albalushi@holidayinnmuscat.com -When booking guests are required to mention that they`re associated with The Ministry of Transport Communications & Information Technology	T +968 22080555	F +968 2208 0566
MYSK		Email shall be addressed to: ahmed.alamri@myskhotels.com Guests are required to mention they are associated with the Ministry of Transport, Communication and Information Technology	For more information: +968 2427 4400 +968 9382 3445	
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