



LCAA – ICAO

State of Civil Aviation System in Lebanon

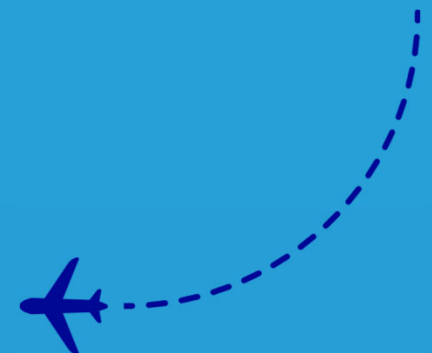
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Tangible Achievements for 2025 - 2026 in **Lebanon**.

Lebanon's Participation

MIDANPIRG/23 and RASG-MID/13 Meetings
11/06/26 (Cairo, Egypt, 14-18 June 2026)

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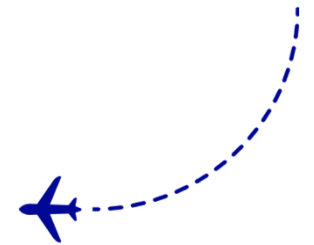
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Objectives

- 1. Shifting to LCAA – New Chapter for Lebanon
- 2. Regulatory & Legislative Development Impact.
- 3. Civil Aviation Safety Center (CASC) – ATCOs
- 4. Priorities and Challenges
- 5. Assistance Needs





1. Shifting to LCAA New Chapter for Lebanon

- The Chairman and Members of the Lebanese Civil Aviation Authority (LCAA) were officially appointed on 8 August 2025.
- The Directorate of Flight Safety (DFS) assumed its mandate in August 2025 under the LCAA, with a clear focus on enhancing aviation safety in line with international standards.
- LCAA officially assumed its responsibilities in accordance with the provisions of Law No. 481/2002 on the 3rd of February 2026.



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New Chapter for Lebanon.**



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SHIFTING TO LCAA – A NEW CHAPTER FOR LEBANON

In line with **Law No. 481 dated 23/04/2024**, the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) has been transformed into the **Lebanese Civil Aviation Authority (LCAA)**, establishing a more independent, efficient, and performance driven regulatory body.



DGCA → **LCAA**
Past *Future*

ENFORCED AND UPDATED REGULATIONS



NEW REGULATIONS ENFORCED

Building a modern regulatory framework aligned with ICAO Annexes and EASA requirements.



REGULATIONS UPDATED

Existing regulations revised to reflect current standards, technologies and operational needs.



SAFETY AND SECURITY ENHANCED

Strengthened oversight, risk-based approach and robust compliance monitoring.



TRANSPARENCY AND GOVERNANCE IMPROVED

Clear roles, accountability and improved service delivery to the aviation community.

BENEFITING FROM ETAP - ICAO MISSION 2023



CAPACITY BUILDING

Training, workshops and mentoring to develop LCAA competencies.



TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Expert missions and hands-on support tailored to LCAA needs.



REGULATORY SUPPORT

Assistance in drafting, reviewing and aligning regulations with EASA standards.



CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT

Strengthening systems, processes and safety culture for sustainable results.



Through ETAP - ICAO Mission 2023, Lebanon continues its journey towards full regulatory convergence, higher safety standards and stronger regional and international collaboration.

TOGETHER FOR SAFER SKIES

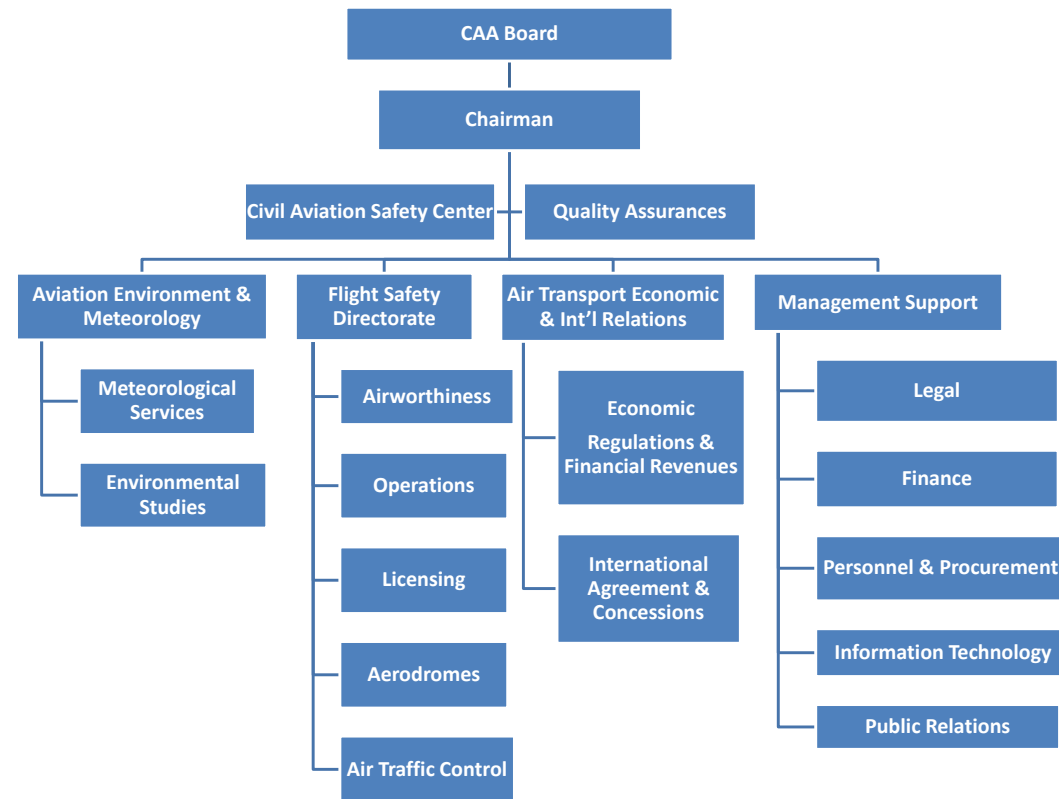


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1. **Aviation Legislation Development (LARs)** Update and harmonize national LARs with ICAO standards.
2. **Training 32 ATCOs in Lebanon (National CASC) / 2025 – Present** for 051 - 055.
3. **Enhance New (SSP) 2026:** Strengthen State safety management and oversight capabilities / NASP.
4. **Lebanon State Action Plan (2026+)** Update the national AEP and sustainability roadmap / SAP (2023-2026).
5. **Environmental Compliance (CORSIA) MRV / New LARs.**
6. **Modernize Aeronautical Meteorological LARs** for ANS in accordance with ICAO Annex 3.
7. **Enhanced R & D (SAF) for LTAG** (Universities, Industry)
8. **Dangerous Goods Regulations 2026:** Enhance regulatory oversight and compliance with ICAO Annex 18 requirements.



2. Institutional Impact of the New Administration's Achievements



- Strengthened regulatory oversight and enforcement capacity



- Identified and mitigated critical safety-related violations



- Improved compliance with international civil aviation standards
- SSP, SMS



- Reinforced aviation safety culture and governance practices



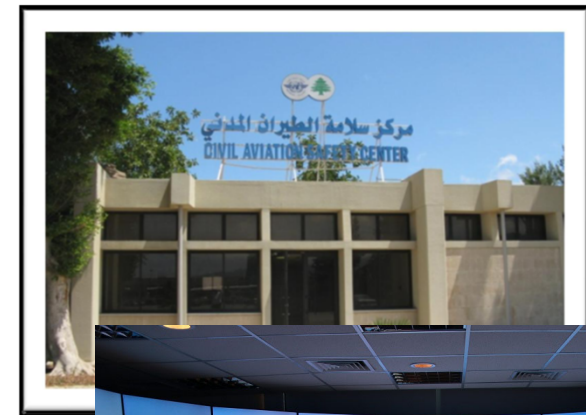
- Restored confidence in the national aviation regulatory system



3. Civil Aviation Safety Center (CASC) ATCOs Training Achievements



- The CASC is a national aviation training institution located at Beirut RHIA.
- Established in 1962 in collaboration with ICAO and the United Nations Special Fund.
- Built on a total area of approximately 5,000 m².
- CASC has historically served as ICAO RTC.
- More than 84 countries have benefited from its training programs between 1962 – 2005.
- **Reposition CASC on the Global map as accredited institution at both national & International level (LCAA, ICAO , EASA...)**





3. Civil Aviation Safety Center (CASC)



Reactivation Phase (2025/2026)





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Mandate and Role

- Deliver ICAO-compliant aviation training programs
- Support national aviation safety oversight capabilities
- Enhance licensing, competency, and qualification of ATC personnel
- Contribute to strengthening institutional capacity within LCAA

Strategic Objectives

- Rebuild national aviation human capital
- Ensure compliance with international aviation safety standards
- Modernize training infrastructure and methodologies
- Position CASC as a sustainable regional training hub



4. Priorities and Challenges

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● Technical Assistance

● Inspector Qualification

● SMS Implementation

● Digital Transformation



4. CHALLENGES ENCOUNTERED

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- Human resource limitations



- Budget constraints



- Staff turnover



- Implementation delays



Next Steps & Call for Support



➤ Conduct Multi-Disciplinary Mission by ICAO

- Deployment of a multidisciplinary mission to Lebanon to assess DFS & operational areas, identify gaps, and support the development of a comprehensive CAP / **July 2026**.

➤ Capacity Building and Training

- Training for inspectors: AIR, flight OPS, DGs, aeronautical meteorology, SMS, human factors, and risk-based oversight. **Support for advanced SAFA/SACA training.**

➤ Regulatory and Institutional Development

- Technical assistance to further modernize (LARs) in full alignment with ICAO SARPs.

➤ Safety Management and Data-Driven Oversight

- Develop a centralized safety data and risk monitoring system.

➤ Institutional Strengthening and Digital Transformation





Conclusion

Lebanon reaffirms its commitment to ICAO standards and continuous enhancement of its aviation safety oversight system. Continued ICAO technical, institutional, and financial support is essential to sustain reforms, address remaining gaps, and ensure a modern, resilient, and globally aligned aviation safety framework.

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