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Panel: Evolving ICAO's Regional Support

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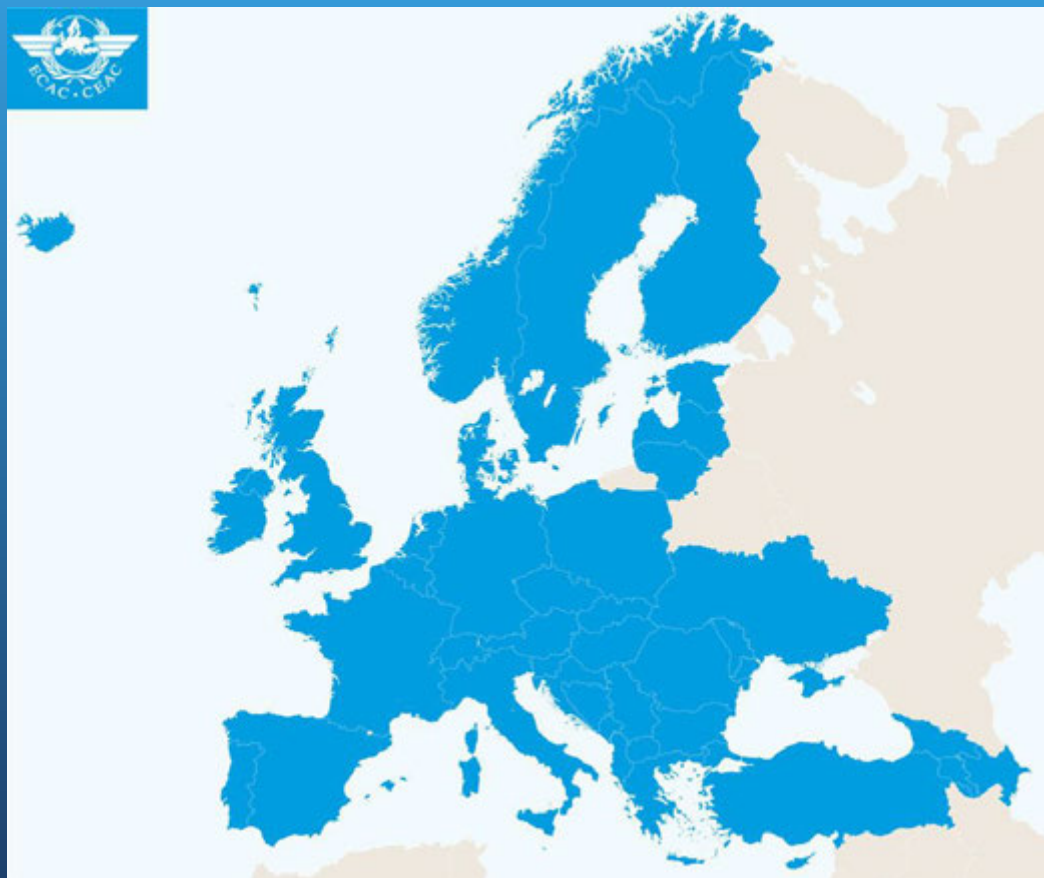
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European Civil Aviation Conference

44 Member States (EU 28, EASA 32, ECTRL 41, ICAO EUR/NAT Office 56)



European Civil Aviation Conference

- Founded in 1955, ECAC promotes the continued development of a safe, efficient and sustainable European air transport system. In doing so, it seeks to:
 - harmonise civil aviation policies and practices amongst its Member States; and
 - promote understanding on policy matters between its Member States and other parts of the world.
- Strategic priorities: safety, security, and the environment.



European Civil Aviation Conference

- Triennial Sessions: Work Programme, Budget and Resolutions; election of the President and Co-ordinating Committee
- Directors General meet in plenary three times a year
- Co-ordinating Committee (composed of 11 Directors General) oversees ECAC activities as a whole
- ECAC Secretariat supports the implementation of the Work Programme
- More than 400 people (policymakers, regulators, industry stakeholders) involved in ECAC activities

ECAC outreach beyond Europe...

- **...to sister organisations:**
 - MoU with the Arab Civil Aviation Commission (ACAC)
 - MoU with the African Civil Aviation Commission (AFCAC)
 - MoU with the Latin American Civil Aviation Commission (LACAC)
- **...to other organisations:**
 - MoU with WAEMU and ECOWAS
- **...to bilateral partners:**
 - MoUs with the United States, China, Singapore, Canada, UAE, Rep of Korea and Australia
 - Cooperation Arrangements with Malaysia and Indonesia
 - Arrangements soon to be signed with India and Kazakhstan
 - Industry (e.g., IATA, ACI World, ACI EUROPE, Canso)

Cooperation Projects Funding

- Source of financing:
 - ECAC regular budget
 - Individual Member States funds
 - European Union funds



ECAC Regular Budget

- ECAC Security Capacity Building Programme
 - 1 ½ staff members
 - Approximately 40, 000 Euros/year
 - Multilateral and bilateral activities
 - 3-4 multilateral workshops/ year
 - More than 30 bilateral capacity building activities/year
 - 25 Member State/ year benefit from capacity building (on average)
 - Cooperation of ECAC Member States
 - Targeted assistance for “Towards One Stop Security” projects with non-EU ECAC Member States

Individual Member States Funds

- **Cooperation with West African Economic and Monetary Union (WAEMU):**
 - Funded by France (175,000 Euros)
 - Support to WAEMU in establishing and managing aviation security audit programme, and to increase involvement in ECAC security activities
 - Experts provided by ECAC Member States (French speaking)
 - WAEMU has become independent in managing its own audit programme

European Union Funds

- **CASE (Countries of Africa and Arabian Peninsula) project**
 - 7 million Euros grant over four years
 - Focus on cargo security
 - Contract signed early November 2015
 - Co-ordination with ICAO SECFAL Initiative
 - Co-ordination with AFCAC, ACAC, ECOWAS, WAEMU and other international partners
- **Eastern European and Central-Asia Countries project**
 - 5 million Euros grant to EASA (4.5 Mln safety and 0.5 Mln cargo security) over four years
 - ECAC (co-beneficiary) responsible for cargo security

Lessons learnt...

- **Funding is important...but it takes more to be successful**
 - Effective use of available funds
 - Political and practical commitment of beneficiary countries
 - Focus on activities with strong added value
 - Complementarity of actions with initiatives taken by individual States and international organisations
 - Search for synergies

