

Regional Aviation Safety Group (Pan American)

Background

Quote from Assembly Resolution A36-7 - Global Planning for Safety and Efficiency

Resolved that these global plans [*Global Aviation Safety Plan and Global Air Navigation Plan*] shall provide the framework in which regional, sub-regional and national implementation plans will be developed and implemented thus ensuring harmonization and coordination of efforts aimed at improving international civil aviation safety and efficiency;

Recognized the importance of regional and national plans and initiatives based on the global framework for effective implementation;

Recognized that further progress in improving global safety and efficiency of civil aviation is best achieved through a cooperative, collaborative and coordinated approach in partnership with all stakeholders under the leadership of ICAO;

Urged Contracting States and the industry to apply the Global Aviation Safety Plan and Global Aviation Safety Roadmap principles and objectives and to implement its methodologies in partnership with all concerned stakeholders to reduce the number and rate of aircraft accidents;

Draft Terms of Reference

The Regional Aviation Safety Group (Pan America) will develop aviation safety initiatives to reduce aviation risks in the NACC and SAM Regions, to promote their implementation by all stakeholders and to enhance harmonization and coordination of efforts.

Short term

Develop and implement a work programme to continue implementation of the Global Aviation Safety Plan (GASP) and Global Aviation Safety Roadmap (GASR) in the region to ensure implementation of resulting action plans.

Longer term

- 1) Using the framework provided by the GASP and GASR, support the establishment and operation of a performance-based safety system for the Pan American region by
 - a) In part of the region where such a performance-based safety system does not exist, analyzing the risks to civil aviation at the regional level, develop action plans necessary to mitigate the risks and coordinate and support their implementation;
 - b) Facilitating the sharing of safety information and experiences among all stakeholders from the region;
 - c) Ensuring that all safety activities at the regional and sub-regional level are properly coordinated to avoid duplication of efforts; and
 - d) Conducting follow-up activities as required.
- 2) Provide feedback to ICAO and the ISSG to continually improve and ensure an up-to-date global safety framework (Global Aviation Safety Plan and Global Aviation Safety Roadmap).

Organizational Structure

Membership:

- ICAO contracting States of the NACC and SAM Regions
- International and Regional Organizations
- Aircraft Manufacturers
- ICAO (Regional Directors of the NACC and SAM Offices - one acting as the Secretary of the RASG-PA and Steering Committee.
- ICAO Contracting States from outside the region, other representative organizations, or any entity directly involved in aviation safety may be invited by the RASG-PA to join the group as a full member or observer as decided by RASG-PA

Steering Committee

A Steering Committee made of representatives from States and Industry will be established to guide the work of the RASG-PA and ensure that mandates are discharged in a timely and efficient manner. To that end, the Steering Committee will:

- a) Establish sub-groups as required to pursue specific activities related to the work programme;
- b) Propose to RASG-PA, amendments to the work programme to ensure relevancy;
- c) Decide on working procedures for RASG-PA, the Steering Committee and the sub-groups; and
- d) Undertake any action required to ensure that RASG-PA achieve its objective of reducing aviation risks in the NACC and SAM Regions