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Borne of a strong industry partnership

The **Global ACI-ICAO Airport Safety Professional (ASP) designation programme** is a new initiative borne of a long-standing partnership between ACI and ICAO.

The objective of the programme is to train and recognize senior airport managers and airport regulators that have demonstrated an understanding of relevant ICAO Standards and Recommended Practices (SARPs), professional excellence in the field of airport airside operations, as well as maintaining ACI industry best practices.

This new designation programme builds training capacity in the key area of Safety while enhancing airport excellence and industry best practices in compliance with ICAO SARPs.

This is the second programme jointly offered by both organizations; the Global ACI-ICAO Airport Management Professional Accreditation Programme (AMPAP) was the first.

Airports Council International (ACI)

Established in 1991, ACI advances the collective interests of, and acts as the voice of the world's airports and the communities they serve, and promotes professional excellence in airport management and operations. ACI represents airports interests, develops standards, policies and recommended practices for airports, and provides information and training opportunities to raise standards around the world.

International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)

ICAO is a UN specialized agency, established by States in 1944 to serve as the global forum of States for international civil aviation. ICAO develops policies and Standards, undertakes compliance audits, performs studies and analyses, provides assistance and builds aviation capacity through many other activities and the cooperation of its Member States and stakeholders.

The ASP professional designation

The industry-renowned and internationally recognized professional ASP designation recognizes an individual's proficiency with ICAO SARPs, professional excellence in the field of airport airside operations, as well as maintaining ACI industry best practices.



Join a prestigious and elite group of globally recognized safety experts

ACI and ICAO shall facilitate and manage the forming of a global professional Community of Practice (CoP) network through a web-based forum. The ASP CoP, will consist of this elite group of globally recognized safety experts who will access these exclusive forums that contribute to the professionalization of airport safety.





The ACI-ICAO Airport Safety Professional (ASP) designation programme

The ACI-ICAO ASP programme is the premier global designation that leads to a unique and prestigious professional designation for airport safety professionals and civil aviation regulators.

Designed and delivered by ACI-ICAO certified instructors, the ASP will provide candidates with opportunities to advance in their career, differentiate themselves from their peers and brand themselves as airport safety subject-matter experts.

Learning objectives

After completion of this programme, State regulators and airport operations personnel will be able to:

- Improve the performance of airports in their core Safety mission
- Adopt and apply a proactive approach to airport safety to ensure aerodrome readiness to comply with local civil aviation regulations
- Understand the application of ICAO SARPs contained in Annex 14 and identify solutions to aerodrome design and operations challenges
- Manage and apply procedures for aerodrome certification according to ICAO Annex 14 and Doc 9774 and how to best maintain the certification
- Harmonize runway surface condition assessments and reporting as outlined in ICAO Circular 355 (Assessment, Measurement and Reporting of Runway Surface Conditions)
- Gain professional knowledge in airport airside management and operations, while maintaining ACI industry best practices

Programme structure

ACI and ICAO offer training solutions that are developed to meet the needs of its members. The quality of training is guaranteed by the expertise of the certified ICAO and ACI instructors and the relevancy of course content.

To successfully complete the programme and obtain the ASP professional designation, candidates must:

3-year (36 months)

1 Complete all three (3) mandatory courses:

- [ACI-ICAO Implementing Annex 14: Advanced Aerodrome Design and Operations](#)
Duration: 5 days
- [ACI-ICAO Aerodrome Certification](#)
Duration: 5 days
- [ACI-ICAO Global Reporting Format](#)
Duration: 3 – 6 hours

2 Complete one (1) elective course:

- [Airport Safety Management Systems \(SMS\) Implementation](#)
Duration: 5 days
- [Safety Management for Practitioners \(SMxP\)](#)
Duration: 6 days

1-year (12 months)

3 Complete the online ASP programme examination

- [ASP Validation Exam](#)
Duration: 3 hours

Completion timeframe

All mandatory and elective courses must be completed within a 3-year (36 months) timeframe. The ASP programme examination must be completed within a 1-year (12 months) timeframe following completion of all of programme courses.

Course summary

Mandatory courses

[ACI - ICAO Implementing Annex 14: Advanced Aerodrome Design and Operations](#)

The goal of the course is to enable participants to support the implementation of the ICAO Annex 14, Volume 1 Standards and Recommended Practices (SARPs) in their aerodromes to achieve compliance.

[ACI - ICAO Aerodrome Certification](#)

Based on Annex 14 and referencing Doc 9774 and Doc 9981 2nd edition, this course explains the certification process applied by State regulators and what aerodromes must do to not only become “certified” but to remain certified as traffic grows and the aerodrome expands to accommodate future traffic demand.

[ACI - ICAO Global Reporting Format](#)

This online course assist airport personnel to meet the new ICAO requirements for runway surface condition assessment and reporting that come into effect in November 2021 as outlined in ICAO Circular 355, Assessment, Measurement and Reporting of Runway Surface Conditions, and ICAO Doc 10064, Aeroplane Performance Manual (APM).

Electives courses*

[Airport Safety Management Systems \(SMS\) Implementation](#)

This course provides participants with the necessary knowledge and skills to plan, develop, and implement a Safety Management System (SMS) and ensure on-going compliance with the ICAO Safety SARPs.

[Safety Management for Practitioners \(SMxP\)](#)

The SMxP Virtual Course focuses on Safety Risk Management and Safety Assurance. It aims to provide qualified Safety Management System (SMS) staff with a comprehensive application of operational safety management processes and practical examples on the use of IT tools to enhance efficiency and effectiveness of safety management activities. *(Pre-requisite: Safety Management Online Course – 15 online hours)*

* Elective requirement is waived, if the participant is a [ACI Global Safety Network \(GSN\) Diploma Programme](#) graduate (Initial or Advanced) or has successfully completed the [ICAO State Safety Programme \(SSP\)](#).





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