



ECAC's functions and activities

First Meeting of the APAC Civil Aviation Commission Task Force

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European Civil Aviation Conference

- 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 (via for example preparation of European positions for ICAO Assembly).
- Strategic priorities: safety, security, and the environment



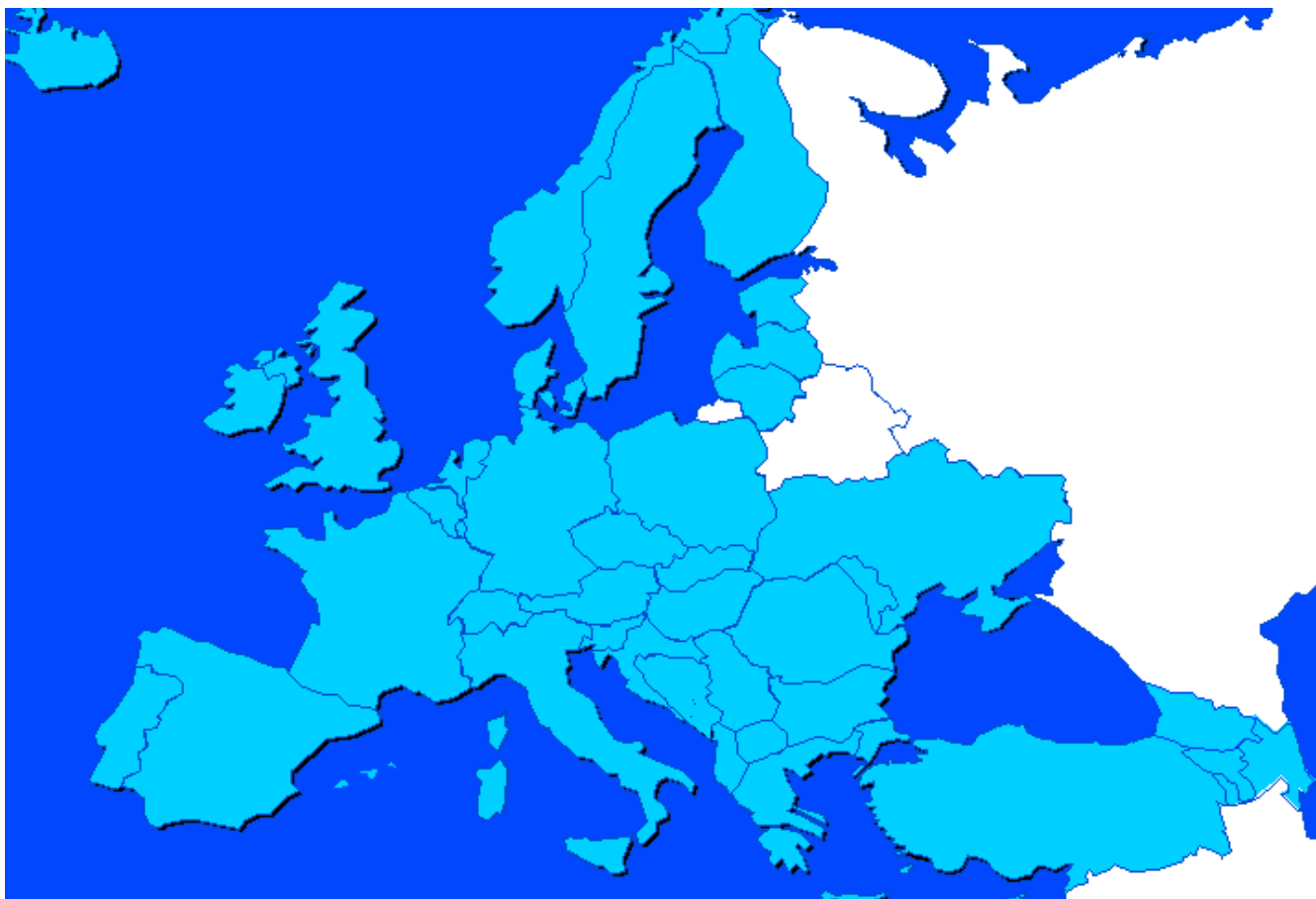
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- 1955: Inaugural session in Strasbourg in 1955 (Council of Europe)
- Triennial Sessions: adoption of work programme and budget, and appointment of:
 - ECAC President
 - Co-ordinating Committee
- Directors General meet in plenary three times each year
- Co-ordinating Committee oversees ECAC activities as a whole
- Secretariat runs the implementation of the work programme
- Associated Bodies: JAA-Training Organisation – JAA-TO (safety and environment training) and European Aviation Security Training Institute (EASTI)



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44 Member States (cf EU 28, EASA 31, ECTRL 41, ICAO EUR/NAT office 56)





ECAC Working Methods

- Appointment of Focal Points from among Co-ordinating Committee members for Safety, Security and Facilitation, Environment, Economics, Training and Pan-European matters
- Working Groups, Task Forces, Study Groups etc, both standing and ad hoc
- More than 400 people (policymakers, regulators, industry stakeholders) involved in ECAC activities, drawn from 44 Member States.
- ECAC workshops, seminars, training courses etc



ECAC vis à vis ICAO

- Joint ECAC/EC coordination of 44 ECAC Member States positions
- ECAC's challenges in recent and next ICAO events:
 - ICAO 38th Assembly, September/October 2013
 - High Level Safety Conference, 2-5 February 2015
 - ICAO 39th Assembly, September/October 2016
 - AVSEC Panel, ATRP, CAEP meetings



Key Programme Features

- **Safety**
 - JAA and SAFA both established by ECAC. Emphasis today on coordination of Member States' views, a bridge between ECAC's 28 EU/EASA States and its 16 non-EU States
 - Forum for European air accident investigators, with workshops
- **Security**
 - Full set of security provisions, related guidance material and best practices (Doc 30)
 - Audit and Capacity Building Programme
 - ECAC Common Evaluation Process of security equipment
- **Environment**
 - European methodologies for eg airport noise mapping, measurement of Nox emissions
 - Coordination of European positions on eg aviation climate change impacts



ECAC outreach beyond Europe...

- **...to sister organisations:**
 - MOU with Arab Civil Aviation Commission
 - MOU with African Civil Aviation Commission
 - MOU with Latin American Civil Aviation Commission
- **...to other organisations:**
 - MOU with WAEMU and ECOWAS
- **...to bilateral partners:**
 - MoUs with China, Indonesia, UAE, Singapore, Rep of Korea, Australia, United States and Canada
 - Protocol of Intention with State Civil Aviation Authority of the Ministry of Transport of the Russian Federation
 - Discussions on MoU with India and Malaysia
 - Industry stakeholders (e.g., IATA, ACI-Europe)



Cooperation with ECAC's Sister Organizations

- Consultation before ICAO Conferences and Assemblies
- Consultation on ICAO elections
- Reciprocal support
- Organization of joint events
- Periodic exchange of information

Thank you

