

INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION
**Sixth Meeting of the APIRG Infrastructure and Information Management Sub-Group
(IIM/SG6)**
(Nairobi, 31 July - 3 August 2023)
Agenda Item 3: Status of implementation of Conclusions and Decisions of the IIM/SG5 Meeting and APIRG/25 Meeting applicable to the Sub-group
WP 3.5F – Update on the progress of the AIM RBIS project
(Presented by the Secretariat)

SUMMARY
<p>This working paper give an update on the progress of the AIM RBIS project and highlights the few commitments of initial beneficiary States for receiving support from the project. It then appeals for States engagement with the project to expedite their effort of implementation of the targeted ASBU elements.</p> <p>Action by the meeting in paragraph 3</p>
<p>REFERENCE(S):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Report of the 25th meeting of APIRG ▪ Report of the 5th meeting of IIM/SG ▪ Report of the 25th meeting of AFI Plan Steering Committee
<p>This working document relates to ICAO Strategic Objectives:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">A – Safety</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">B – Capacity and Efficiency</p>

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The 25th meeting of the Steering Committee of the Comprehensive Regional Implementation Plan for Aviation Safety in Africa (AFI Plan), held from 17 to 18 May 2022 in Abuja, Nigeria, approved the revised “AIM Results-Based Implementation Support (RBIS) for the AFI Region” project, aiming to assist States to implement Quality Management System (QMS) in Aeronautical Information Management (AIM), Aeronautical Information Exchange Model (AIXM) and Terrain and Obstacle Data (TOD).
- 1.2 The 5th meeting of the IIM/SG held virtually from 26 to 29 July 2022, recalling the 24th APIRG meeting outcomes, which tasked the AAO and IIM Subgroups to identify the ASBU elements applicable in the region, discussed and agreed on the ASBU elements to be applicable in each area of AIM, MET, and CNS, for consideration by the APIRG meeting.
- 1.3 The meeting aligned the APIRG IIM projects to the applicable ASBU elements, ensuring that the implementation of each element was facilitated by a project. The meeting noted that the AIM RBIS Project covers partially the element DAIM-B1/1 and fully the elements DAIM-B1/2, DAIM-B1/3 and DAIM-B1/4. It therefore decided to close the former APIRG IIM projects AIM 1, AIM 2 and AIM 3 to avoid duplication with the AFI Plan AIM RBIS project.

2. DISCUSSIONS

- 2.1 The main purpose of the AIM RBIS project is to bring States to a good implementation level in AIM through a standard process with three phases including *Phase 0 – Initiation of the project*, *Phase 1 – Development and validation of documentation*, then *Phase 2 – Go-team visits and follow-up*. The go-team visits consist of onsite activities to be conducted to assist the recipient States in their implementation efforts. The project phases 0 and 1 was successfully completed. The documentation to support assistance to States for the implementation of QMS, AIXM and TOD has been developed and validated through a series of three validation webinars.
- 2.2 For the conduct of phase 2, an initial list of ten States was selected to receive the assistance activities. It was planned to extend the benefit of the project assistance to the other States after the first turn of ten States. Letters were sent to the States identified as initial beneficiaries of the project, requesting them to confirm their willingness to be assisted. Only two out of ten States committed to receive the project Go-team activities.
- 2.3 Considering that many other States not in the initial list of beneficiaries may need support in the implementation of QMS, AIXM database, electronic AIP and TOD, a proposal of revision of the project will be submitted to the next session of the AFI Plan Steering committee in view of extending the project assistance activities to any volunteer State that would request so.
- 2.4 The meeting may wish to encourage States who need support in the implementation of QMS, AIXM database, electronic AIP, and TOD, to take advantage of the AIM RBIS project, by committing to receive assistance from the said project.

3. ACTIONS BY THE MEETING

- 3.1 The meeting is invited to:
 - a) take note of information provided in this paper
 - b) encourage States to take advantage of the AIM RBIS project assistance to expedite the implementation of QMS, AIXM database, electronic AIP, and TOD.

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