



International Civil Aviation Organization

MID Region ATM Enhancement Programme Board

First Meeting (MAEP Board/1)
(Cairo, Egypt, 23-25 June 2014)

Agenda Item 2: MID Region ATM Enhancement Programme(MAEP) Establishment

INITIATION OF MAEP WORK

(Presented by IATA/AACO)

SUMMARY

The aim of this paper is to suggest ideas with regards to kicking off the work of MAEP until the Organizational Structure is fully functional.

Requested action by the meeting is at paragraph 3.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The MAEP SCM meeting held between 18 and 20 February 2014 agreed on the Organizational Structure of MAEP to include a MAEP Board and a Project Management Office (PMO).

1.2 However, it is expected that extensive deliberations will be needed to be conducted until the final shape of MAEP is agreed and the programme is fully functional.

1.3 On the other hand, the airline community, across all management levels, consider the issue of ATM reform and airspace capacity in the region a top priority, and hence mandates its associations to mirror such urgency in dealing with the issue. Therefore, the airline associations believe that the issue requires the immediate attention from all stakeholders, and hence it is paramount that work to tackle the issue on the regional level should begin without any delay.

1.4 Accordingly, this WP highlights the expectations of the airline community and its associations, and puts forth some suggestions with regards to initiating the work of MAEP until the PMO is established and functional.

2. DISCUSSION

2.1 The airline community and its respective associations believe that MAEP should be a driver for the Region to enhance its ATM and airspace capacity, and hence those stakeholders are fully committed to ensure that the programme delivers the intended outcomes.

2.2 Accordingly, MAEP is required to be an implementation oriented body which requires the commitment of stakeholders and their positive contribution, and which works according to a master plan that includes SMART (Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Relevant and Time-Bound) initiatives and projects designed to deliver the sought enhancement.

2.3 Therefore, we would like to put forward establishing a Core Team composed of interested stakeholders and tasked with the following:

- a. Agree on a work plan for 2014; and
- b. identify one or two projects which do not require direct funding to be taken under MAEP and start working on those projects

2.4 As the endorsement of the Board is required for the work to begin, there will be a need for another Board meeting to take place within the coming couple of months to review and agree on the Core Team's Recommendations.

3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

3.1 The meeting is invited to discuss and agree on the suggestions in para 2.2, 2.3 and 2.4.

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