



International Civil Aviation Organization

**First Meeting the Runway and Ground Safety Working Group
(RGS WG/1)**

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Agenda Item 2: Implementation of Aerodrome Safety Priorities and Objectives in the MID Region

RUNWAY SAFETY PROGRAMME UPDATE

(Presented by the Secretariat)

SUMMARY

This working paper provides an update on tools that have been developed by ICAO and Safety Partners to enhance Runway Safety. The paper also highlights the development made by the MID Region in this regard.

Action by the meeting is at paragraph 3.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 ICAO has been called upon by the International Civil Aviation Community to exercise leadership in the effort to reduce the number of runway-related accidents and incidents worldwide.

1.2 Starting with the Global Runway Safety Symposium (GRSS) convened in Montreal (May 2011), ICAO aims to raise awareness and share information as a means to generate effective solutions. As an outcome, the ICAO MID Regional Office has organized in partnership with IATA the first MID Regional Runway Safety Seminar (MID-RRSS/2, 14-16 May 2012).

2. DISCUSSION

2.1 ICAO has recently published the First Edition of the new ICAO Runway Safety Team (RST) Handbook which is available at <http://www.icao.int/safety/RunwaySafety/Pages/Toolkits.aspx>.

2.2 In collaboration with Safety Partners, ICAO has just released the Runway Safety i-Kit (<http://www.icao.int/Newsroom/Pages/ICAO-launches-new-runway-safety-ikit.aspx>) which is on-line available at:

<http://www.icao.int/safety/Implementation/Pages/iKITs.aspx>;
<http://www.icao.int/safety/RunwaySafety/Pages/default.aspx>; and
http://cfapp.icao.int/tools/RSP_ikit/story.html .

2.3 The contents of the Runway Safety iKIT have been made available on USBs (donated by IATA) for distribution. ICAO MID Regional Office has received samples of the i-KIT USB and one will be distributed to each MID State.

2.4 The meeting may wish to note that ICAO is developing a Runway Safety Go-Team guide which should be ready for presentation during the MID-RRSS/2 (Dubai, 2-4 June 2014). The Seminar will include a Panel on RST and a Workshop on Aerodrome Certification.

2.5 The meeting may wish to recall that the Second Meeting of the Regional Aviation Safety Group (RASG-MID/2, Abu Dhabi, UAE, 12-14 November 2012) fully supported the establishment of Runway Safety Teams (RSTs) and, accordingly, agreed to the following Conclusion:

CONCLUSION 2/4: ESTABLISHMENT OF RUNWAY SAFETY TEAMS

That, States be urged to establish Runway Safety Teams (RST) hosted by airports and including, as a minimum, representation from aerodromes, air operators and air traffic controllers, before 1 March 2013.

2.6 The Fourteenth Meeting for The Middle East Air Navigation Planning and Implementation Regional Group (MIDANPIRG/14, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, 15-19 December 2013) agreed to the following Conclusion:

CONCLUSION 14/7: SECOND REGIONAL RUNWAY SAFETY SEMINAR (MID-RRSS/2)

That,

- a) the Second MID REGIONAL RUNWAY SAFETY SEMINAR (RRSS) be organised by ICAO in partnership with IATA and other interested safety partners;*
- b) the agenda of the RRSS take into account the RASG-MID work programme related to Runway Safety, in particular the SEIs and DIPs related to RSTs; and*
- c) MID States, Service Providers and International/Regional Organizations be encouraged to support and actively participate in the Seminar.*

2.7 The RASG-MID/3 Meeting (Kuwait, 27-29 January 2014) recognised the need for a Go-Team to support the establishment of Runway Safety Teams (RSTs) and agreed to the following Conclusion:

CONCLUSION 3/2: ESTABLISHMENT OF RUNWAY SAFETY GO-TEAM

That, the mechanism of Runway Safety Go-Team be endorsed to expedite the establishment of RSTs and improve Runway Safety in the MID Region.

3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

3.1 The meeting is invited to encourage States:

- a) to use the ICAO i-KIT and the RST Handbook to enhance Runway Safety; and
- b) participate actively in the MID-RRSS/2.