



## 3<sup>rd</sup> DGCA MID Meeting ACI Asia-Pacific The airports perspective

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# A PERMANENT DIALOGUE DURING THE CRISIS BETWEEN HEALTH AND TRANSPORT AUTHORITIES AT GLOBAL, REGIONAL AND NATIONAL LEVEL IS KEY FOR A SAFE RECOVERY OF THE SECTOR

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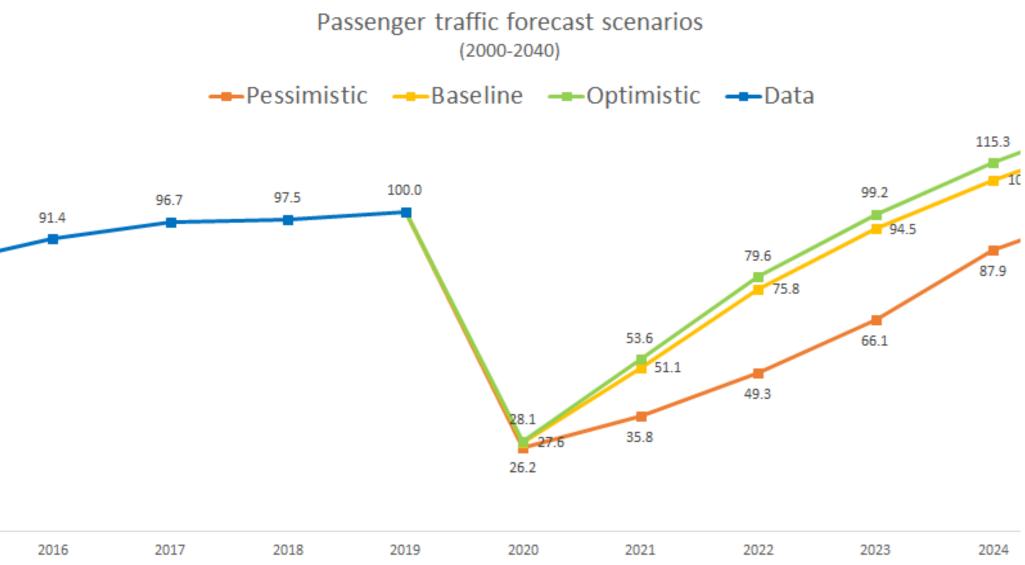
REGULAR ROUNDTABLES CO-CHAIRED BY ICAO AND WHO ENGAGING STATES' MOH AND MOT/CAA

#### 2020: ACI DOWNGRADED OUTLOOK

• Along with Europe, the Middle East is forecasted to be the most impacted region with decline above 70% compared to the projected baseline (-268 mil pax; 110 mil. handled).

• As to revenues, in relative terms, the **Middle East** will report the sharpest fall the with a **reduction of 73.5%** of revenues for 2020 (i.e. USD 9.7 billion) compared to the projected baseline by ACI World

#### LONG-TERM FORECAST (PRELIMINARY)





# Two ACI initiatives to ensure compliance by airports in the Region

2 programmes complementing each other



Both programmes are based on ICAO CART and ACI documents



- Only ICAO supported programme
- Assessment of the overall management process
- 2 to 3 weeks overall process from application to accreditation
- Accreditation valid for 12 months

- Based on BV's reputed Safeguard Hygiene Excellence and Safety Label – now co branded BV-ACI
- Onsite audit
- Measures the effectiveness and application of the health measures
- 6 months certification validity

#### Progress so far

	Asia-Pacific + Middle East
Contract signed	62 airports
Accreditation granted	29 airports



#### 6 Middle East airports accredited so far:







Medina



Muscat & Salalah



Bahrain



Amman



#### ACI Asia-Pacific survey on international passengers

- Objectives to understand:
  - International travel restrictions
  - Quarantine requirement
  - Testing practices
  - Impact of health measures on terminal ops
- 27 responses received
- Survey results: end of Nov 2020

#### 27 respondents – testing for intl. pax and its impact on terminal operations



















































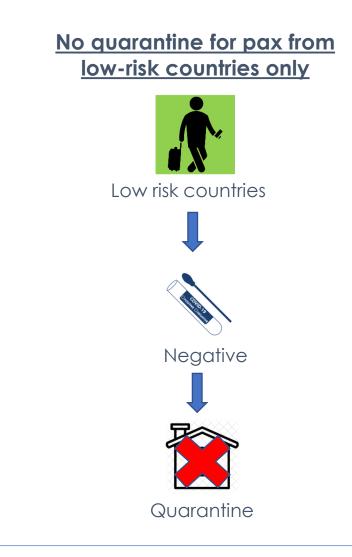


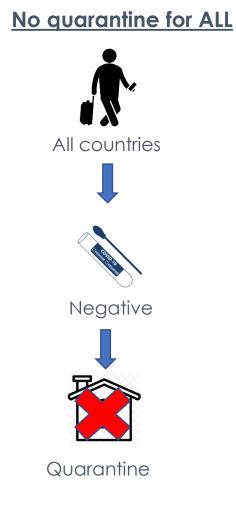




#### Quarantine still prevalent

# **Quarantine for ALL** All countries Positive/Negative Quarantine

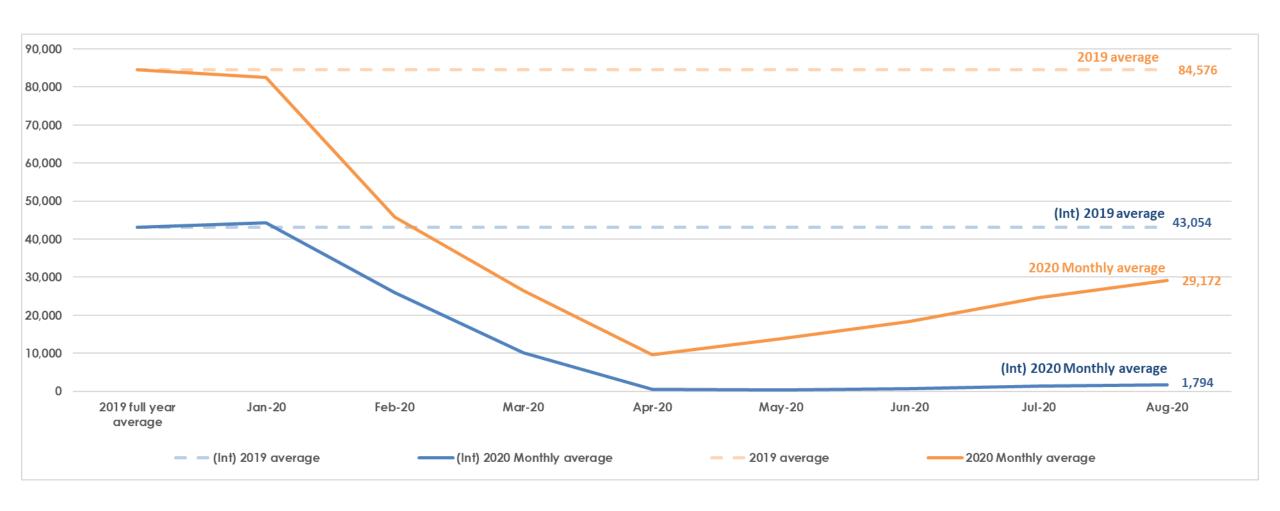






High-level findings	Middle East (7 respondents)	Asia-Pacific (20 respondents)
Testing upon arrival is the common practice	<b>86%</b> Yes, all passengers (57%) Yes, some passengers (29%)	<b>68%</b> Yes, all passengers (42%) Yes, some passengers (26%)
Conducted mostly within the terminal area and	100% Inside Terminal building	91% Inside terminal building
before immigration	<b>67%</b> Before immigration	<b>64%</b> Before immigration
PCR test largely applied	<b>PCR (100%)</b> Antigen + PCR (0%) Antigen (0%)	<b>PCR (73%)</b> Antigen + PCR (18%) Antigen (9%)
Long waiting time but no need to wait at the airport	<b>66% &gt; 10 hours</b> 2-4 hours (17%) 4-6 hours (17%) 6-8 hours (0%)	<b>55% &gt; hours</b> 2-4 hours (36%) 4-6 hours (0%) 6-8 hours (9%)
	83% No need to wait at the airport	64% No need to wait at the airport
Testing capacity up only to a first phase recovery	<1,000 (0%) 1,000-3,000 (17%) 3,000-6,000 (33%) 6,000-9,000 (33%) 9,000-12,000 (0%) >12,000 (17%)	<1,000 (50%) 1,000-3,000 (25%) 3,000-6,000 (0%) 6,000-9,000 (0%) 9,000-12,000 (17%) >12,000 (8%)
Cost borne predominantly by the pax	For free (40%) USD <50 (0%) USD 51-100 (40%) USD 101-150 (0%) USD 151-200 (20%) USD >201 (0%)	For free (30%)  USD <50 (10%)  USD 51-100 (20%)  USD 101-150 (30%)  USD 151-200 (0%)  USD >201 (10%)
Predeparture testing only still the exception	Arrival testing only (29%)  57% double testing  Only pre-departure (14%)	Arrival testing only (6%)  63% double testing  Only pre-departure (31%)
	24 hours (0%) <b>48 hours (40%)</b> 72 hours (20%) 96 hours (20%) 120 hours (20%)	24 hours (7%) <b>72 hours (66%)</b> 96 hours (7%) 120 hours (7%) 7 days (13%)

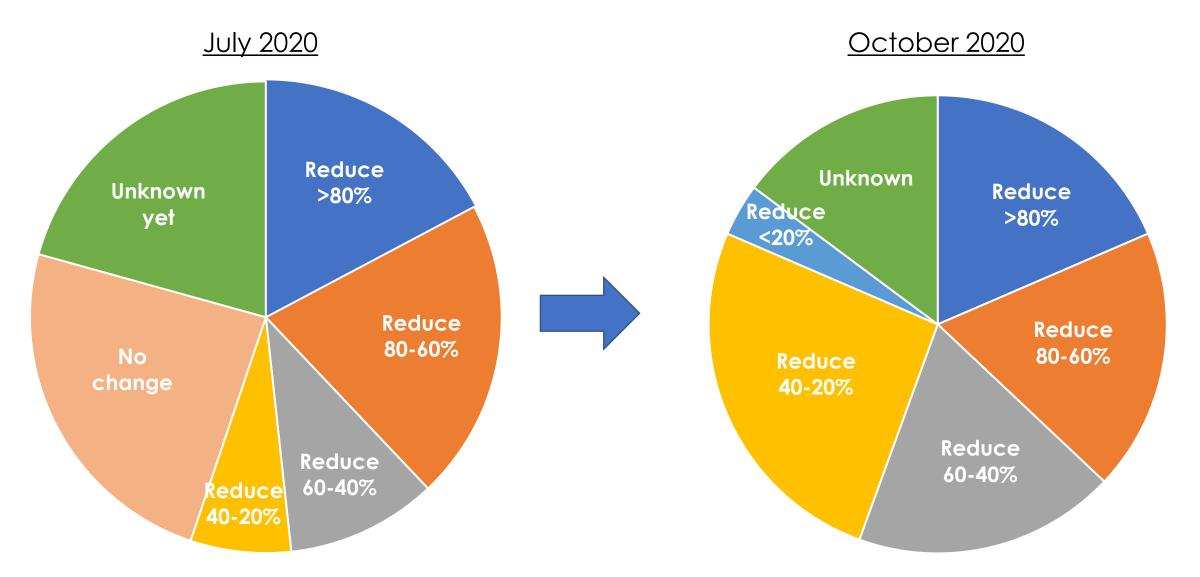
#### Average daily arrivals of major airports in Asia-Pacific and the Middle East



- Data of airports with over 40 million passenger traffic in 2019
- Samples include 21 airports in Asia-Pacific and the Middle East
- Arrival figures derived from total passenger traffic/international passenger traffic divided 2



#### Estimated impacts on passenger handling capacity



## Impact on Terminal Operations: Additional Space needed to maintain pre-COVID throughput



Check-in

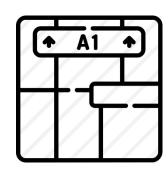


Security



+100% more space

Boarding



+35-50% more space



**Immigration** 



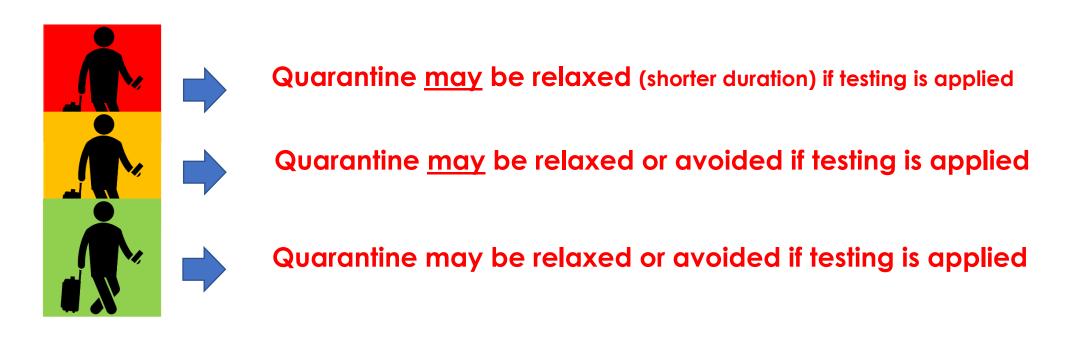
#### Baggage claim



+30-50% more space



#### ICAO MANUAL ON TESTING



In most instances, for tested passengers systematic quarantine is not justified for connections with countries with equivalent or lower risk similarly to what is applied to the population of the arriving country



#### COVID-19 vaccine distribution – logistical challenges

 AIRPORTS WILL PLAY A CENTRAL ROLE ACTING AS GATEWAYS FOR THE INCOMING AND OUTGOING SHIPMENTS OF VACCINES AND EQUIPMENT (OFTEN FACILITATOR AND COORDINATOR OF LOGISTICAL PROCESS TAKING PLACE IN ITS PREMISES)

#### **OPERATIONAL CHALLENGES:**

- SUDDEN INCREASES IN AIRCRAFT TRAFFIC FLOWS FOR AIRPORTS CLOSE TO PRODUCTION FACILITIES OR AIRPORTS THAT WILL BE
  DESIGNATED AS MAIN DISTRIBUTION HUBS 

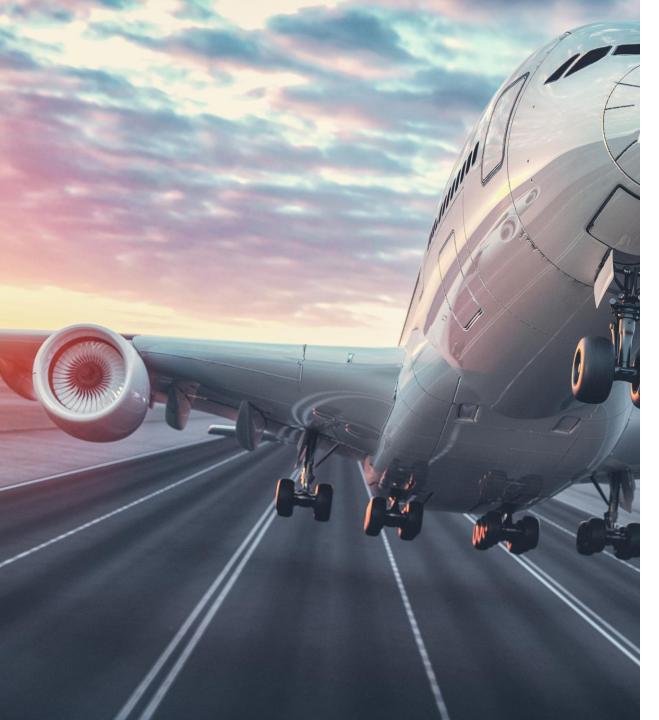
  AIRPORT OPERATORS SHOULD ENSURE COORDINATION WITH THE SLOT COORDINATOR
  TO FACILITATE THE ALLOCATION OF AD-HOC SLOTS AND MAY ALSO WANT TO CONSIDER ANY IMPACTS ON INCREASES IN NIGHT
  FLIGHTS AND POTENTIAL IMPACTS ON LOCAL COMMUNITIES
- SOME AIRPORTS AT THE RECEIVING END OF THE FLIGHTS OUT OF THE HUBS, WILL HAVE TO EQUIP FOR MAINTAINING THE COLD CHAIN
  AT ALL TIMES

#### **SAFETY CHALLENGES:**

- O USE OF LARGE VOLUMES OF DRY ICE IS NEEDED TO SUSTAIN THESE LOW TEMPERATURES AND MAY GENERATE RISKS IF NOT ADEQUATELY HANDLED IN THE CARGO LOGISTICS PROCESS. DRY ICE IS CONSIDERED TO BE A "DANGEROUS GOOD" → ICAO DOC 8294 UNDER REVISION; AIRPORT RESCUE AND FIRE FIGHTING (ARFF) RESPONSE MAY NEED TO BE ADAPTED
- SAFETY RISK ASSESSMENT OF THE OVERALL CHANGES AND IMPACTS SO AS TO IDENTIFY HAZARDS AND IMPLEMENT MITIGATION MEASURES.

#### **SECURITY CHALLENGES:**

- THE SENSITIVE NATURE OF THE VACCINES, THE HIGH LEVEL OF DEMAND THERE WILL BE FOR OBTAINING THEM AND THE INITIAL SHORT SUPPLY HAS THE POTENTIAL TO GENERATE SOME ATTENTION BY PERSONS OR GROUPS WITH MALICIOUS INTENT. CONSIDERATION SHOULD BE GIVEN TO INCREASED PROTECTION OF THESE GOODS AND/OR THE FACILITIES THAT WILL HOUSE THEM. IN MANY CASES, THIS WILL REQUIRE COORDINATION WITH LOCAL SECURITY AUTHORITIES.
- AIRPORTS THAT WILL BE AFFECTED BY VACCINE DISTRIBUTION OPERATIONS SHOULD CONDUCT A RISK AND THREAT ASSESSMENT.





### **Thank You**

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