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Ibrahim Al Jabri

General Manager Airspace Standards
General Authority of Civil Aviation
Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Mr. Ibrahim Al Jabri has served as General Manger of Airspace Standards at the General Authority of Civil Aviation in Saudi Arabia since November 2017, Managing the Safety Oversight responsibilities for Air Navigation Services. He enjoys over 30 years' experience in Air Navigation services. This include serving as Director of Air Traffic Management at Saudi Air navigation Service (SANS) and lead the transformation program for ATM area in Saudi Arabia (Moving from GACA ANS to SANS) and the certification program of SANS.

Mr. Ibrahim chaired and co-chaired several regional meetings and participated in several Regional and International forums and meetings. He also served as Technical Advisor to the Permanent Representative of Saudi Arabia in ICAO and attended several meetings of ICAO ANC and Council. In addition to his ATC Diploma and ATM training, Mr. Ibrahim Al Jabri holds a Bachelor's degree of Science in Business Administration and a master's Degree of Business Administration in Aviation "International Aviation MBA" from John Molson School of Business, Concordia University, Montréal, Canada.



Eng. Abdennebi Manar

Director General
Arab Civil Aviation Organization
ACAO

Eng. Abdennabi Manar is the Director General of the Arab Civil Aviation Organization (ACAO). He is a Civil Aviation Engineer from National School of Civil Aviation of Toulouse - France (ENAC).

Prior to his appointment as DG of ACAO, he held several roles including: Acting Director General of Morocco Civil Aviation Authority, Air Navigation Director, Air Traffic Director, Airport Quality, security and Safety Director, Acting as Air transport Director, Morocco representative at ICAO, ACAC Executive Member, member of Air Navigation Team of the Arab Maghreb Union and President of ACAO Air Navigation Committee.



Mohamed Al Bakri

Regional Vice President
Africa & Middle East
IATA

Muhammad Ali Albakri is IATA's Regional Vice President for Africa and Middle East. Before joining IATA, Albakri served as Executive Vice President for Strategic Projects and Transformation at Saudi Arabian Airlines, Vice President of Information Technology and Chief Financial Officer. Albakri is a member of IATA Strategic Leadership Team and is the Secretary of IATA's Digital Transformation Advisory Council.



Mohamed Smaoui

Deputy Regional Director
ICAO MID Office, Cairo

Mohamed Smaoui is the Deputy Regional Director of the ICAO Middle East Office. He is currently Acting as the Regional Director. He is a Principal Engineer with a Master Degree in Air Navigation Operations from ENAC Toulouse-France.

Mr. Smaoui joined ICAO in 2001 as Regional Officer AIM. In addition to his AIM responsibilities for both the MID and EUR/NAT Regions, he had been in charge of the ATM and safety activities for different periods during his career within the ICAO MID Office. He has been also an ICAO approved ANS Auditor within the USOAP programme since 2006.

He is Tunisian and began his civil aviation career with the ANS Service Provider and Aerodrome Operator of Tunisia (OACA) in 1992, where he held various positions, from the Head of the Future Air Navigation Systems Service (FANS), to Head of the Aeronautical Information Service (AIS), to Head of the Aeronautical Information and Telecommunications Division within the Air Navigation Directorate, where he had been involved in CNS/ATM operations and aerodrome planning and infrastructure projects.



Simon Hocquard

Director General
Civil Air Navigation Services Organisation (CANSO)

Simon Hocquard, Director General, CANSO (Civil Air Navigation Services Organization) was appointed on 19 June 2019. In leading and managing CANSO as the global voice of air traffic management, he is responsible for delivering CANSO strategies, expanding worldwide membership, and enhancing CANSO's relationship with its industry peers and stakeholders. Prior to this role, Simon was Deputy Director General of CANSO, where his responsibilities included overseeing all CANSO operations globally to ensure CANSO fulfilled its commitments and deliverables in a timely, efficient and customer/partner focused manner.

Simon previously served at NATS, the UK air navigation service provider. His roles included Operations Director at Swanwick, the largest air traffic control centre in Europe, leading 1,500 people through the successful air traffic management for the 2012 London Olympics and other change programmes; and Director Operations and Strategy NATS, where he was accountable for creating and implementing the business, technical, operational strategies and vision for the entire regulated business.

Simon has significant experience of working with governments and international institutions. He is appointed by the European Commission as Chairman of the Network Management Board, which governs the overall European Air Traffic Network, and drives performance improvement across Europe as well as within EUROCONTROL. He is also a member of the 'Wise persons Group' in Europe, which was established by the European Commission to provide recommendations for the future of European ATM.



Jehad Faqir

Assistant Regional Director Safety & Flight Operations
North Africa & Levant
IATA

Jehad Faqir a Jordanian national brings over 39 years technical experience and professional leadership while working in the aviation industry. He started his carrier at Royal Jordanian Airlines in 1976 where he held numerous managerial positions within the airline encompassing Production, Engineering developments, Technical Planning, Avionics Shops and IT. During that period, he was actively involved with various regional organizations including ICAO, Arab Civil aviation Commission (ACAC), Arab Air Carrier Organization (AACO) where he served as a Vice chairman of AACO Operations Committee and the head of Avionics Subcommittee for several years.

From there, in 2000 his career path took him to IATA Middle East office as Director Safety, operations & Infrastructure with responsibility covering technical & operational aspects of airport and air navigation services, CNS/ATM developments and implementation; as well as matters related to regional flight safety.

- In 2007 he joined ICAO Middle East regional Office as Deputy Regional Director and Technical Team leader.
- In March 2014 he re-joined IATA Africa & Middle East regional office taking responsibility of Safety & Flight Operations Middle East & North Africa.
- He attended numerous training and managerial courses in aviation field and holds a Master of Science degree in Applied Electronics.



Ahmed Al Jallaf

Assistant Director General, Air Navigation Services
U.A.E. General Civil Aviation Authority

Ahmed Al Jallaf is Assistant Director General Air Navigation Services at the General Civil Aviation Authority of UAE since 2011. He was amongst the first UAE nationals to validate as an Air Traffic Controller in 2000. He has represented the UAE in many regional and international meetings and conferences. Ahmed holds a Master's degree in Air Safety Management from City University, London. He has been the recipient of numerous awards over his illustrious career, notable of which is the prestigious Aviation Executive of the Year Award at the Aviation Business Awards in 2018. In 2019, he successfully completed the "Impactful Leaders Program" from the Mohammed bin Rashid Center for Leadership Development (MBRCLD) whose vision is to "Create leaders for tomorrow". His passion for aviation is what drives him to innovate and constantly aim to raise the bar in this field.



Hassan Al Hammadi

Divisional Senior Vice President flight operations
Emirates Airlines

Capt Hassan Al Hammadi started his flying career in 1982 with Gulf Air as a First Officer and then moved to Emirates to become a Captain in 1993. From 1998 he held various managerial roles at Emirates such as Training Manager, Chief Pilot, VP Flight Training and SVP Flight Ops Technical.

In March 2018 he became Divisional Senior Vice President of Flight Operations and as head of department he oversees the safety and efficiency of flight operations, ensuring there are sufficient resources to execute the planned schedule in the most efficient manner.



Mubarak Al Ghailani

Acting Director General of Civil Aviation Regulations
Public Authority of Civil Aviation, Sultanate of Oman

The Acting Director General of Civil Aviation Regulations of the Public Authority for Civil Aviation in the Sultanate of Oman since November 2019.

Has over 20 years of experience in Air navigation services, within which:

- Led the crisis management planning and implementation team of the Air Traffic Control Services.
- The Operational Director of the Air Navigation Services Transformation Program in Oman.

Began career in air traffic control, where he held a number of positions, including Director of Air Traffic Services and Senior Director of Quality and Safety



Ryyan Tarabzoni

CEO & Board Member

Saudi Air Navigation Services, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Ryyan Tarabzoni is the Chief Executive Officer and Board member of the Saudi Air Navigation services company (SANS). Mr. Tarabzoni has more than 20 years of experience in business development and transformation, with expertise in operational excellence, maximizing productivity, building quality assurance and developing supply chain excellence in both public and private sectors.

Prior to SANS, Mr. Tarabzoni was the General Manager in Tasnee Company leading the Downstream Business Unit and the Head of Transformation at Tasnee's Downstream Strategic Business Unit.

He began his career at Saudi Aramco, followed by various positions with Proctor & Gamble leading local and global positions, he also sits on the board of directors of several companies.

Mr. Tarabzoni received his Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of the Pacific, California, USA, and has completed several executive programs at INSEAD Business School, France, and completed the Certificate of Management Excellence from Harvard Business School, USA.

During his 3 years till present tenure at SANS, Eng. Tarabzoni has overseen the transformation and corporatization of the company, as well as an overall restructure that has led to the streamlining of operations and implementing new business opportunities such as the NEOM airport project.



Rashad Karaky

Director - Technical
Arab Air Carriers Organization, AACO

Rashad joined AACO in 2006 where he currently holds the position of Director Technical. In this capacity, he oversees all issues related to safety, security, facilitation, emergency response, flight operations, airspace infrastructure, and engineering & maintenance. He also collaborates and works closely on the regional and global levels with regulators, airlines, international and regional organizations, and industry stakeholders to promote and foster collaboration between all stakeholders in support of an efficient, effective and sustainable civil aviation sector.



Fahad Al Anizi

Security Director
Kuwait Civil Aviation (DGCA)

Civil Aviation Security Director at Kuwait DGCA. Thirty years of aviation experience, twenty-five of them with the industry; Kuwait airways and Amiri fleet, and five years with the local authority; DGCA.

Graduated as an Aircraft Maintenance Engineer from AST in Scotland, hold both B1/B2 licenses and approved engineer in B-747-200/400/800, A310, A320, A319, A340, and Gulfstream GV/G550. Attended many specialized, technical, and management courses locally and internationally in manufacturers (Boing, Gulfstream, and Airbus). And in universities (Embry riddle and cranfield university).

Started my carrier at the Airline as a trainee Engineer in 1988 and retired in 2013 as a Amiri fleet section Superintendent.

Later Joined Kuwait DGCA Aviation Safety Department in 2014 at Airworthiness Section and worked as Airworthiness inspector, then appointed as head of aerodrome certification and security, while heading the division I also performed the function of Aviation Security Inspector and Aerodrome Inspector.

In 2018 a new Civil Aviation Security department was established and I was promoted as a director same time hold the position of state National Coordinator with the ICAO.

Currently fully engaged with Aviation Security matters and held the chairperson of SECFAL PDG. And at present the chairperson of Regional Aviation Security and facilitation Group RASFG.



Ismaeil Mohammed Al Blooshi

Assistant Director General, Aviation Safety Affairs Sector
U.A.E. General Civil Aviation Authority

Ismaeil Mohammed Al Blooshi is a licensed aircraft engineer with a Master's Degree in Aviation Management from Coventry University and has graduated from the UAE Government Executive Leadership Program.

He began his career as an aircraft engineer with Emirates in 1990 and joined the General Civil Aviation Authority as Airworthiness Inspector in 2001. He became Chief of Airworthiness prior to his current role as Assistant Director General, Aviation Safety Affairs Sector. His line of responsibility includes planning and control of Safety Affairs functions in Policy, Regulations and Planning, Flight Operations, Airworthiness, Licensing, Air Navigation and Aerodromes.

At the helm of his career with Aviation Safety Affairs, the GCAA has successfully completed the FAA Audit in 2010 and is currently ranked number one (1) in the world after successfully completing the ICAO ICVM.

In addition to his exceptional career with the GCAA, he is also the chair of the ICAO Middle East Regional Aviation Safety Group; he is the Deputy Chair to the ICAO SMP panel and is a member of the GCC Safety Committee, ACAC Safety Committee. He is also part of the GCAA Executive Committee for the implementation of the Federal Strategy.



Mohamed Chakib

Regional Officer, Safety Implementation
ICAO MID Office, Cairo

With over twenty-six years' experience, Mr. Chakib served at the Royal Moroccan Air Forces and different United Nations international organizations including United Nations Peace keeping Missions, World Food Programme, and ICAO. He successively held the posts of a Senior Air Traffic Controller, Deputy/Chief Aviation Safety, Safety Data analysis and Risk Management Officer, and Regional Safety Implementation Officer. Mr. Chakib holds a Master degree in air transport management from Swinburne University, Melbourne. He is also a SSP & SMS instructor and a former aircraft accident and incident investigator.



Mohamed Iheb Hamdi

Regional Officer, Aerodromes and Ground Aids (AGA)
ICAO MID Office, Cairo

Mohamed Iheb Hamdi is currently the Regional Officer for Aerodromes and Ground Aids (AGA) at The International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) Middle East Office and acting as ICAO Collaborative Arrangement for the Prevention and Management of Public Health Events in Civil Aviation (CAPSCA) focal point. Mr. Hamdi is an ICAO USOAP-CMA Auditor. He was an officer in the Tunisian Air Force before being seconded to the Civil Aviation industry in 2007. His main skills are in the areas of airports planning and design, safety and airside operations, and aerodromes safety management.

Mr. Hamdi has been giving courses since 2010 at the Tunisian Air Force Academy and conducting seminars/workshops on Safety and Airside Operations, Safety Management Systems and Aerodrome Planning and Design (ICAO Annex 14) which some of them were to the benefit of the United Nations and the African Union then he became an Airport Council International (ACI) Instructor delivering ACI's courses in French and English worldwide.



Sharron Caunts

Regional Director Safety & Flight Operations
(Africa & Middle East)
IATA

Sharron has a career in the aviation industry spanning 25 years, working in Europe, Africa, and the Middle East. She has had the opportunity to work both for Air Navigation Service Provider and Airline Operator in senior leadership positions before assuming the post of Regional Director Safety & Flight Operations (Africa & Middle East) for IATA in the Summer of 2019. Sharron is based at the IATA Regional Office in Amman, and is responsible for setting the strategic direction and annual work program for IATA Safety & Flight Operations for the region.



Hamad Rashid Al Belushi

Air Navigation Services Specialist
UAE General Civil Aviation Authority

Hamad Rashid Al Belushi, Air Navigation Services Specialist at UAE General Civil Aviation Authority (GCAA) is a prominent figure in Air Navigation Services arena of the GCC and the Middle East. He has more than 25 years of vast experience in managing, designing, testing, training and implementing Communication, Navigation and Surveillance systems as well as ATM processes and procedures.

Originally an Air Traffic Controller (ATC), Hamad progressed steadily in his career through the roles of Quality Control Officer, Air Traffic Service Instructor, ATC Dataset officer, Head of ANS Research and Dataset, Director Air Traffic Management and is the chairman of several task forces and committees including ICAO Middle East Air Traffic Flow Management (ATFM) Task Force.



Benjamin Binet

VP Strategy Airspace Mobility Solutions (AMS)
Thales

Benjamin Binet is VP of Strategy, Airspace Mobility Solutions at Thales. In this role, Benjamin is in charge of defining the way forward for Thales Air Traffic & Navigation business through products, services, innovation, partnerships, alliances, M&A and Public Affairs.

He joined Thales in 2019 through the acquisition of Gemalto where he held various executive roles from 2003 to 2019 in Marketing, Sales, Product Management and General Management at HQ in France but also in Brazil and in South Africa. Before joining Gemalto, Benjamin spent 9 years in the fast moving consumer goods industry (L’Oreal and Nestlé) and in the first wave of start ups in 1999-2000 around customer relationship management.

Benjamin holds a Master of Business Administration at ESCP-Europe Business School, Paris. Half French and half Belgian, he speaks 4 languages and has built strong multi-cultural skills through his time abroad and his trips. Benjamin holds a Private Pilot Licence and has always been passionate about aviation.



Jesús Fernández

ATM Director
Indra

Jesús Fernández Ocaña is the Indra ATM director for Middle East. He is an Aeronautical Engineer (6 years degree) by Universidad Politecnica de Madrid.

He has worked for Indra for more than 30 years mainly in ATM but also in developing Flight Simulators. In ATM Jesus has been involved in different responsibilities as Programme Director, System Engineer, Software Engineer, etc. His main technical background is operational use of the automation system.

Jesus has lived in Malaysia for 3 years for business development in South East Asia. He also was Deputy Chairman of Malaysian Spanish Chamber of Commerce.

He is married with two daughters and one son.



Michele Carandente

Regional Director, EMEA
Aireon

Michele Carandente is the Aireon Regional Director EMEA. He has held that position since January 2017. Before that he actively participated on the ITU frequency allocation discussions that allowed World Radio Conference 2015 to protect 1090Mhz reception from space for safety of life applications.

Previously he worked at ENAV, the Italian Air Navigation Service Provider, in the International Strategies directorate following future CNS/ATM infrastructures and participate at the creation of Aireon. Before joining ENAV, Michele worked in the UK in maritime business.

He hold a Master Degree in Computer and Networking Engineering, with a specialization in ATC systems and received ATC trainings at ENAV academy.

He is member of the ICAO Surveillance Panel, representing Italy.



Theodor Zeh

Control Room Consulting Director
FREQUENTIS AG

Theodor Zeh is a distinguished expert for Human Performance in Safety Critical Environment. He worked for Air Traffic Management, Blue-light Organizations, Rail and Maritime control rooms since more than 25 years. He was responsible for Controller Working Positions in the EC's Single European Sky Research Project. Numerous publications carry his name. Today Theodor is heading the Control Room Consulting department of Frequentis where he and his team analyse and optimise control room processes, HMIs and Environment. With the objective to assure Fit For Purpose systems with ensured User acceptance.

