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Infrastructure Projects in the East African Community***

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The East African Community (EAC)

A Regional Economic Cooperation – Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania and Uganda.

Established in November 1999 by the 3 founding States
- Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda

Rwanda and Burundi joined the EAC in July 2007





Co-operation in Infrastructure and Services – **Civil Aviation**

EAC Treaty – Chap. 15: Co-operation in Infrastructure and
Services: Art.92 - Civil Aviation and Civil Air
Transport

Art.92:Para. 1 -Development of appropriate aviation
infrastructure...,

Art.92:Para. 3(e) - establishment of a unified upper area control
system.

Art.92:Para. 3(h) - develop, maintain and co-ordinate in common,
navigational facilities;



East African Community Airport and Air Navigation Services Infrastructure Projects

1. East African Community Unified Flight Information Region (UFIR):

Objective: Creation of a single block of upper airspace to ensure excellent levels of safety and advantages in capacity , efficiency and performance over the present scheme.

Estimated cost: US\$25,850,000



East African Community Airport and Air Navigation Services Infrastructure Projects

2. Priority Airports Project

Objective: Enhance accessibility, operations and safety to facilitate tourism growth .

Estimated cost: US\$ 141,688,563



Air Navigation Services Infrastructure Projects in EAC

Source of Capital		Remarks
Debt	Commercial	Partner States
	Concessionary	Partner States
Equity	Financial	Partner States /Development Partners
	Non - Financial	Partner States



Challenges in Attracting Capital for Airport and Air Navigation Services Infrastructure Projects in EAC

- Regional and individual Partner States priorities
- Lack of capacity to develop bankable projects
- Priority of aviation projects against other social sector projects
- Difficulties to raise private funds
- Under developed private sector participation (PPI)
- The EAC structure and capacity



Way Forward

- Development of a framework for private sector participation
- Partner States budgets to factor in priority funding of the infrastructure projects following the development of the investment profiles for priority projects
- Alignment of individual Partner States to regional priorities
- Enhance competitiveness of the air transport – operation costs



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