



# International Arab Civil Aviation Security Conference

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Hilton-Abu Dhabi  
United Arab Emirates

**“Establishing Aviation Security Cooperation among  
ACAC Member States”**

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# Conference Programme

**Monday, February 6**

**19:00**

## **Evening Event – Cocktail reception for arriving delegates and guests**

**Venue:** Terrace Hall & Pool Deck, Hilton Abu Dhabi

**DAY ONE**

**Tuesday, February 7**

**08:00-09:00**

## **Registration**

**09:00-10:00**

## **Conference Opening**

### **Welcome Address**

**H.E. Mohamed Ghanim Al-Ghaith**, Director General of General Civil Aviation Authority, UAE

### **Opening Remarks**

**H.E. Sultan bin Saeed al-Mansoori**, Minister of Communications and Chair of GCAA UAE

### **Welcome and Introduction of Keynote Speakers – Arab Civil Aviation Commission**

**H.E. Abdullah N. Ruhaimi**, President of ACAC

## **Keynote Address**

### **Protecting the Global Aviation System**

**Mr. Mohamed El Amiri**, Director, Air Transport Bureau, International Civil Aviation Organization

*The importance of cooperation among States in interpreting, implementing, and overseeing international standards and recommendations governing aviation security.*

### **The Importance of International Cooperation in Aviation Security**

**Ambassador Cresencio Arcos**, Assistant Secretary, International Affairs, Department of Homeland Security, United States of America

*The critical nature of international relationships in improving aviation security globally, and current efforts to increase cooperation and information-sharing among international counterparts, both near and far.*

**10:00-10:30 Break**

**10:30-11:30**

## **Plenary Session 1:**

## **Regional Approaches to Aviation Security Cooperation- Lessons Learned**

### **The Pan European Model: The Pan European Model**

**Mr. Raymond Benjamin**, Executive Secretary, European Civil Aviation Conference

*A presentation on the evolution of European aviation security and ECAC's role as a regional player in the international arena.*

### **The APEC Model: Global Partnership through Regional Initiatives**

**Mr. Tony Beard**, Director General of Security Analysis, Department of Transport and Regional Services, Australia  
*frank look at the issues and difficulties faced by States in working together to improve aviation security across a region.*

**The EU: Finding Consensus among Member States and the New Regulation 2320**

**Ms. Marjeta Jager**, Director, Directorate of Transportation and Energy, European Commission  
*Important lessons from the EU Commission's experience with building a consensus among disparate States and strategy for Regulation 2320.*

**Questions and Answers**

**11:30 -11:45 Break**

**11:45-12:45**

**Plenary Session 2: International Efforts at Building Capacity in Aviation Security**

**The Need for Multilateral Development and Assistance in Aviation Security**

**Mr. Charles Schlumberger**, Principal Air Transport Specialist, World Bank  
*Capacity – building through international technical and training assistance.*

**ICAO's New Approach to Aviation Security and Development**

**Mr. Jalal Haidar**, Regional Officer, Aviation Security, Middle East and Africa, ICAO  
*A discussion of ICAO's renewed focus on international capacity-building and the organizational changes that more effectively support international capacity-building efforts.*

**Questions and Answers**

**12:45 – 14:00 Lunch**

**14:00-15:00**

**Working Session: An Arab Protocol for Cooperation in Aviation Security**

*Directors General of ACAC Member States will meet to discuss the Abu Dhabi Arab Aviation Security Cooperation Protocol and options for launching a regional aviation security experts working group. The results of the session will be reported in the next plenary session. Directors General and session facilitators will meet in Breakout Rooms A, (assignments TBD).*

09:00-10:00

## **Plenary Session 4: Assistance and Capacity Building in Aviation Security: Challenges and Opportunities of the ACAC States**

### **Technology and the 100 percent Hold Baggage Screening**

**Mr. Lyle Malotky**, Scientific Advisor, Transportation Security Administration, United States of America  
*A review of methods in hold baggage screening technology*

### **Building Capacity Through Aviation Security Recruitment and Training: Investing in the Human Element.**

**Mr. Brahim Lakhelifa**, Director, Aviation Safety and Security, Office of National Airports, Morocco.  
Effective capacity building in aviation security through the proper recruitment and training of aviation security professionals.

### **Building Capacity Through the Establishment of Sustainable Development of Aviation Security Infrastructure: lessons Learned: FAA/George Washington Aviation Security Summits.**

**Dr. Valid Motevalli**, Director, George Washington University, Aviation Institute, Washington, DC  
A discussion about the necessity for proper planning to establish a state aviation security infrastructure Starting with national legislation, organization, policy, operations, quality control and training.

10:00-10:30 Break

10:30-11:30

## **Plenary Session 3: The Way Forward - Practical Approaches**

### **ACAC Overview of Aviation Security Challenges**

**Mr. Mohammed El Alj**, Director General, Arab Civil Aviation Commission  
*A comprehensive look at the political challenges and evolving trends in the region and the potential for acts against civil aviation.*

### **State Responsibility and Accountability in Ensuring Secure Aviation**

**Mr. Abdul Hamid Aba Alary**, Director, Airports Security, Saudi Arabia  
*Recommendations to bolster national-level support and compliance with international regulations and standards.*

### **Aviation Security Challenges Facing the Regulators**

**Dr. Hamdi Chaouk**, Director General, Civil Aviation, Lebanon and Member on the Council, ICAO  
*The difficulties of setting, implementing and ensuring compliance of regulations and standards.*

11:30-11:45 Break

11:45-13:00

## **Plenary Session 3 (continued)**

### **Aviation Security as a National Security Priority: Finding Political Will and Necessary Resources**

**Mr. Atsushi Shimamura**, Director, Aviation Security, Civil Aviation Bureau  
*An aviation leader discusses why a strong aviation security regime is vital to national security and the domestic economy.*

## **Establishing Clear Lines of Authority: Transparency in Protecting the Civil Aviation Structure**

**Mr. Richard H. Stein**, General Manager, International Office, Transportation Security Administration, United States of America

*A frank discussion of the need for clear lines of authority, not only as an international standard but as a means to achieve an effective level of aviation security.*

## **The United Kingdom's Approach to Capacity Building and Coordinated Assistance**

**Mr. Rob Axworthy**, RASLO, United Kingdom Transec

The United Kingdom's International Aviation Security Strategy and approach to providing capacity building assistance.

## **Questions and Answers**

### **Closing Remarks:**

### **Declaration Statement Delivery and Concrete Means for the Way Forward**

*A comprehensive look at the work progressed by the region's Directors General during the conference and an introduction to the newly established security working group; its working methods and means of achieving goals and objectives.*

**13:00-14:00 Lunch**