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Cooperation between Regional Organizations & ICAO Regional Offices

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AFCAC : Specialized Agency of the African Union (AU) in charge of civil aviation matters

- ❑ **Common Policy**
- ❑ **Technical Support**
- ❑ **Advisory & Coordinating Body**
- ❑ **Collaboration and Cooperation with AUC, ICAO, Regional Economic Communities (RECs), AFRAA, Regional Civil Aviation Organizations (ACAC, ECAC & LACAC), IATA, ACI, CANSO, etc.**
- ❑ **Development of the African civil aviation industry**
- ❑ **Social and Economic Development**

African Civil Aviation Commission (AFCAC)

- It is made up of 54 member States



- comprising FIVE Sub-Regions



COOPERATION BETWEEN AFCAC AND ICAO

- ▶ **Part of the Mission of AFCAC is to assist African States by supplementing the work of ICAO regional offices**
- ▶ **AFCAC coordinates civil aviation matters in Africa and cooperates with ICAO and all other relevant organizations and other bodies which are involved in the promotion and development of civil aviation in Africa**
- ▶ **AFCAC also has put in place mechanisms to foster inter alia the implementation of ICAO Standards and Recommended Practices for the safety, security, environmental protection and regularity of the aviation sector**



COOPERATION BETWEEN AFCAC AND ICAO

Activities of AFCAC comprise:

- ❖ **Aviation Safety including:**
 - ✓ **Air Navigation**
 - ✓ **Aerodromes**
 - ✓ **Training**

- ❖ **Technical Cooperation**
- ❖ **Aviation Security**
- ❖ **Air Transport (Economics)**
- ❖ **Aviation Environment**

COOPERATION BETWEEN AFCAC AND ICAO

- ▶ **Those activities undertaken by AFCAC must be coordinated with ICAO Regional Offices in order to avoid duplication of efforts**
- ▶ **AFCAC and ICAO Regional Offices normally conduct their respective missions in Africa in close cooperation:**
 - ❖ **ICAO Regional Offices providing technical guidance and support to AFCAC; and**
 - ❖ **AFCAC supplementing ICAO in developing and coordinating regional initiatives in safety and security for its member States**

- ▶ **Ministerial Conference on Aviation Safety in Africa “Assessment of aviation safety performance in Africa”**
 - ❖ **Organizer – African Union Commission**
 - ❖ **Logistical support - AFCAC**
 - ❖ **Technical support - ICAO**
 - ❖ **Host State - Nigeria**



ABUJA DECLARATION ON AVIATION SAFETY

- ▶ **The Ministers adopted the following outcomes:**
 - ❑ **Aviation Safety Targets and Action Plan for Africa; and**
 - ❑ **Abuja Declaration on Aviation Safety in Africa**
- ▶ **Purpose :**
 - ❑ **to significantly improve aviation safety in the AFI region,**
 - ❑ **strengthen regulatory oversight and**
 - ❑ **enhance safety performance**
- ▶ **AFCAC and ICAO played key roles in the formulation and adoption of the Aviation Safety Targets**



OTHER REGIONAL INITIATIVES ON SAFETY

The cooperation between AFCAC and the ICAO Regional Offices has been essential for:

- ▶ **the implementation of the Africa and Indian Ocean – Cooperative Inspectorate Scheme (AFI-CIS) Programme,**
- ▶ **the Management of Human Resource Development Fund (HRDF); and**
- ▶ **the conduct of Training Programmes established to assist the AFCAC member States in improving their safety oversight capacities; AFCAC and ICAO jointly organized workshops and seminars on PBN, ASBU**
- ▶ **the activities of the African Flight Procedures Office**

AVIATION SECURITY

- ❑ **Conference of African Ministers of Transport, April 2010**
 - ❖ **Organizer – AUC/AFCAC**
 - ❖ **Technical Support – ICAO**
- ❑ **Outcomes:**
 - ❖ **Abuja Declaration on aviation security**
 - ❖ **Roadmap on Aviation Security (AVSEC)**
- ❑ **Clear illustration of the importance of cooperation between AFCAC and ICAO Regional Offices leading to:**
 - ❖ **The AFI SEC-FAL Plan / Steering Committee**
 - ❖ **Regional approach**

- ❑ **Windhoek High Level Ministerial Meeting on Aviation Security**
 - ❖ **Organizer – AUC**
 - ❖ **Logistical Support – AFCAC**
 - ❖ **Technical Support – ICAO**
 - ❖ **Host State – Namibia**
- ❑ **Outcome:**
 - ❖ **Ministerial Declaration**
 - ❖ **Security Targets**
 - ❖ **Establishment of RASFALG-AFI (Luanda, 2011)**

Regional Conferences and Workshops held jointly by ICAO and AFCAC on Air Transport :

- ▶ **Lome Declaration on « Development of Air Cargo in Africa (2014)**
- ▶ **Madagascar Declaration on « Sustainable development of Air Transport in Africa (2015);**
- ▶ **Workshops on TRIPS and MRTDs to sensitize States on need for compliance**

▶ **Workshops on State Action Plans to mitigate impacts of civil aviation on environment:**

- ❖ **Dakar, 2013**
- ❖ **Yaounde, 2014**
- ❖ **Dakar, 2016**



▶ **Regional Symposium on progress made in establishing Global Market Based Measures (GMBMs)**

- ❖ **Dakar, 2016**

CONCLUSION

The cooperation between the Regional Organizations, such as AFCAC and the ICAO Regional Offices are necessary and must be enhanced to ensure the effective implementation of the various Programmes and Initiatives aimed at improving safety and security of air transport in Africa through:

- **Coordination meetings held regularly**
- **Cooperation on the establishment of Regional Programmes**
- **Partnership in various areas, safety, security, air transport, environment, etc.**

Conclusion

- ▶ **The World needs safe, secure, efficient and reliable air transport systems**
- ▶ **Cooperation, collaboration and forging of common approaches by aviation organizations, partners and stakeholders is the only way to achieve these objectives**





Thank you