



ECAC-ACAC WORK PROGRAMME 2009-2011

Referring to Article II of the Memorandum of Understanding between the European Civil Aviation Conference (ECAC) and the Arab Commission of Civil Aviation (ACAC) the following work programme is agreed for the period 2009-2011:

Safety and aircraft accident/incident investigation

The aim is to facilitate the participation of representatives of ACAC Member States in training sessions on European safety regulations including those on aircraft accident/incident investigation. For that purpose the following actions have been agreed:

- a) ECAC will make available without charge 8 seats per year for representatives from the ACAC Member States to attend SAFA training courses at the Joint Aviation Authorities – Training Organisation (JAA-TO) in Amsterdam.
- b) ECAC will make available without charge 4 seats per year for representatives from the ACAC Member States to attend training in aircraft accident/incident investigation at the Joint Aviation Authorities – Training Organisation (JAA-TO) in Amsterdam.
- c) ECAC will offer the possibility to 2 representatives from the ACAC Member States to attend the ECAC workshop on the underwater recovery of aircraft wreckage, being organised in June 2009 in Croatia.
- d) ECAC and ACAC will consider together with JAA TO the idea of establishing a regional JAA TO training centre in the ACAC region and will each identify a focal point for the purpose.

The costs arising from participation in the aforementioned activities, for example travel and accommodation costs, will be borne by each individual participating State. For the activities described at (a) and (b), the ACAC Secretariat will inform the ECAC Secretariat of the name of ACAC participants by end of January of each calendar year. For the activity at (c), the ACAC Secretariat will inform the ECAC Secretariat with the name of ACAC participants by end of March 2009.

Aviation security

The aim is to support ACAC efforts in establishing an ACAC benchmark on aviation security. For that purpose the following actions have been agreed:

- a) ECAC and ACAC will organise an ECAC/ACAC Aviation Security Forum in May/June 2009 to bring together aviation security experts from Europe and the ACAC region to discuss global trends, developments and challenges to civil aviation security, and sharing of experiences from both regions.

- b) ECAC will make available to individual ACAC Member States upon request by its Director General and subject to the signature of a confidentiality agreement a copy of ECAC Doc 30, Part II, on aviation security.
- c) Upon request, ECAC will organise ECAC aviation security audits in the ACAC Member States and their airports in order provide the requesting State with an assessment of their security measures against European standards.
- d) ECAC offers the possibility to 3-5 representatives from the ACAC Member States to attend each of the ECAC multilateral workshops organised every year.
- e) ECAC will support ACAC organisation of a training course and certification session of its security auditors (2011) by making its own documentation available and providing the necessary advice.

The costs arising from participation in the aforementioned activities, for example travel and accommodation costs, will be borne by each individual participating State.

Environment matters

The aim is to support ACAC efforts in establishing an ACAC benchmark on environment matters. For that purpose the following actions have been agreed:

- a) Organisation of two workshops on environment: one in the second part of 2009 and one at the beginning of 2011.
- b) ECAC and ACAC will study the possibility of organising an ACAC/ECAC Forum in the field of the environment in 2010.
- c) ECAC will be happy to contribute to the Conference on environment matters organised in Doha at the beginning of 2009.

Air Transport

The aim is to promote the exchange of information on economic matters. ECAC and ACAC will study the possibility of organising a workshop on economic matters.

Bilateral Cooperation

In addition to cooperation between ECAC and ACAC , ECAC may explore the possibilities of bilateral cooperation between its Member states and those of ACAC requesting assistance trough ACAC.

The implementation of this work programme will be reviewed in an annual meeting of the ECAC Co-ordinating Committee and the ACAC Executive Committee.

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