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ICAO Assembly #41

The ICAO Assembly meets at least once every three years and is convened by ICAO's governing body, the Council. During the sessions, ICAO's complete work programme in the technical, economic, legal and technical cooperation fields is reviewed in detail. Assembly outcomes are then provided to the other bodies of ICAO and to its Member States. IFATCA attends these sessions as observer - meaning it is not entitled to vote on the issues discussed, but can comment on the different working papers submitted.

The 2022 session was held from 27 September until 7 October. Our Federation's interventions can be reviewed in the link below.

IFATCA's Interventions:

- IFALPA & IFATCA comment on Working Paper 123, on unstable approaches
- IFATCA's intervention on Working Paper 228, presented by ACI, which highlights the economic challenges faced by our industry's airports.
- IFATCA's comments on Working Paper 230 - standardizing of working practices during abnormal traffic levels whilst maintaining training efficiency
- IFATCA's input on Working Paper 256 on improving the approach to mental health
- IFATCA's comments on Working Paper 356, submitted by CANSO on their roadmap for future skies

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ICAO Global

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Facilitation Training Week

5 to 9 December 2022

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ICAO State Letters

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NUMBER	SUBJECT	DATE	IFATCA RESPONSE DUE BY	LAST DATE / IFATCA RESPONSE
2022/85 click here	Proposals for the amendment of Annex 13 arising from the sixth meeting of the Aeronautical Investigation Panel (AIGP/6)	14/10/2022	31/03/2023	14/04/2023
2022/75 click here	Adoption of Amendment 48 to Annex 6, Part 1	29/07/2022	No Response Due	18/11/2022
2022/70 click here	Proposed new Annex 6, Part IV, and consequential amendments to Annexes 1, 2 and 8 related to international remotely piloted aircraft systems (RPAS) operations in controlled airspace/aerodromes at a special meeting of the Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems Panel (RPASP/18)	23/08/2022	07/02/2023	23/02/2023
2022/68 click here	Proposals for the amendment of PANS-ATM (Doc 4444) concerning separation minima based on an ATS surveillance system arising from the third meeting of the Separation and Airspace Safety Panel (SASP/3)	07/07/2022	20/12/2022	07/01/2023
2022/61 click here	Proposals for the amendment of Annex 16, Volume IV, concerning Standards and Recommended Practices relating to environmental protection - Carbon Offsetting and Reduction Scheme for International Aviation (CORSIA)	25/07/2022	07/10/2022	19/10/2022
2022/60 click here	Proposals for the amendment of Annex 16, Volume III, concerning Standards and Recommended Practices relating to environmental protection - aeroplane CO2 emissions	21/07/2022	07/10/2022	19/10/2022
2022/59 click here	Proposals for the amendment of Annex 16, Volume III, concerning Standards and Recommended Practices relating to environmental protection - aircraft engine emissions	19/07/2022	07/10/2022	19/10/2022
2022/58 click here	Proposals for the amendment of Annex 16, Volume I concerning Standards and Recommended Practices relating to environmental protection - aircraft noise	19/07/2022	07/10/2022	19/10/2022
2022/47 click here	Proposals for the amendment of Annexes 11, 12 and PANS-ATM (Doc 4444) concerning the Global Aeronautical Distress and Safety System (GADSS), remote air traffic services (ATS) and special procedures for in-flight weather contingencies	27/04/2022	13/10/2022	27/10/2022
2022/04 click here	Proposals for the amendment of Annex 12 arising from the twenty-seventh meeting of the International Civil Aviation Organization/International Maritime Organization (ICAO/IMO) Joint Working Group on Harmonization of Aeronautical and Maritime Search and Rescue (JWG-SAR/27)	21/04/2022	07/10/2022	21/10/2022

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ICAO Electronic Bulletins

ICAO Electronic Bulletins merely supplies information and do not require action.

NUMBER	TITLE	DATE
EB 2022/41 click here	Third Edition Of The ICAO Aviation Restricted Global Risk Control Statement – Doc 10108 (Security)	2022-09-26
EB 2022/35 click here	Registration and Submission of Credentials for the 41st Session of the ICAO Assembly (Montreal, 27 September to 7 October 2022)	2022-09-29

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Americas Region (AMA)

Exploring DataLink in Latin America and Caribbean - The Essential Efficient Tower

19 October (15:00 – 17:00 CEST)

We are now just over a week away from the second of our two-part webinar series aimed at sharing successful datalink cases, benefits, and efficient tower solutions including controller-pilot datalink (CPDLC), digital-automatic terminal information system (D-ATIS), electronic flight strips (EFS), and DataLink.

CANSO has teamed up with IATA to bring you this webinar which will explain how integrating ATC tower systems through datalink increases air traffic controller awareness, safety, and productivity.

Key topics include:

- Identifying five fundamental issues of today's air traffic control towers
- Solutions, and
- Benefits

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European Region (EUR)

EUROCONTROL Data Snapshot #33 focuses on the comparison of on-time performance in the US and Europe

Comparing On-Time Performance in the United States and Europe – How turbulent was summer 2022 in both regions?

On-Time Performance (OTP15) in the U.S. and in Europe

Share of flights arriving no later than 15 minutes after schedule (%)

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COVID-19 caused a massive drop in traffic on both sides of the Atlantic – and also created new challenges in terms of handling passenger flows while enforcing COVID related protective measures. The recovery was quicker in the U.S. than in Europe, mainly due to the market there being mostly domestic rather than international. By 2022, traffic in both regions had widely recovered to above 85% of pre-pandemic levels but on time performance (OTP) differed notably.

The graph on the left shows the evolution of flights arriving no later than 15 minutes after the scheduled time (OTP15). Historically, OTP15 in the U.S. (in red) showed more stable behaviour than in Europe up to 2022, ranging between 79% and 85%. In Europe (in blue) it varied from 74% to 88%. For 2022, the U.S. has seen a stable situation with monthly OTP15 ranging between 73% and 77%. This in sharp contrast to Europe where the summer has been turbulent. Monthly OTP15 fell from 84% at the beginning of the year to 55% in July. Reports of staff shortages and industrial action across the industry (airlines, airports, baggage handling and ATCO) regularly made the headlines. In the U.S., this sensitivity decreased at the beginning of the pandemic, but then rose throughout 2022 to reach almost pre-pandemic levels. In Europe, there was a more moderate improvement in 2020/21, followed by a substantial increase in the reactionary delay share during the first half of 2022 which suggests that the air transport system was less and less able to accommodate the increase in demand, particularly in the summer of 2022.

Overall, analysis of the on time performance in the two regions suggests that the U.S. showed a higher level of flexibility and scalability to adjust its air transport operations and capacity to the fluctuating travel demand during the recovery phase, thus ensuring better performance than its European counterparts.

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SESAR/ EASA/ EUROCAE staffing, Monday 17.10.2022 - 1500 Park Inn hotel

SESAR/EASA/EUROCAE Meeting: 15:00 – 18:00 at the hotel Park Inn in Magellana 1+2 meeting room.

For the people present on the 17/10, we will start at 1500 ish in the conference hotel. For those wishing to join online - please find a t.me link to join.

Proposed agenda:

- Welcome
- Update
- SESAR
 - Contract
 - ER calls
 - IR call
- EASA
 - SAB, ATM ANS TECH
 - RMT
 - Occupational ATCO Fatigue study
- Eurocae
 - WG updates
 - WG 114 operational explainability
- JCHMS
 - PROGRESS report
- RTC
 - PROGRESS REPORT
- Env
 - PROGRESS REPORT

DISCUSSION

See or hear you on Monday.

Yours

Marc Baumgartner, IFATCA SESAR/EASA Coordinator

Microsoft Teams meeting

Join on your computer, mobile app or room device

Click here to join the meeting

Meeting ID: 368 134 682 293

Passcode: WWSWMT

ECAC Weekly Press Review - 11 October 2022

Topics:

- ECAC & Organisations
- Airlines & Airports
- Economic matters
- Environment
- Safety
- UAS

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EC Welcomes Political Agreement on New EU Slot Relief Rules

The European Commission welcomes the political agreement between the European Parliament and the Council, confirmed yesterday by Member States, on its July proposal to extend certain slot flexibilities for the next two scheduling seasons, until 28 October 2023. In the final agreement, co-legislators decided to lift the slot use rate of the SESAR 3 JUs ranging from 64% to 75% for the 2022/2023 winter season – rather than the 80% initially proposed by the Commission. This new use rate, to apply as of 30 October 2022, remains broadly in line with current traffic and forecast demand as recovery continues. Eurocontrol forecasts that air traffic will reach 90% of pre-COVID levels during the coming winter season. Importantly, by agreeing to the Commission's proposals in the justified non-use of slots' exception, the agreement also gives more flexibility to airlines and slot coordinators to respond to epidemiological developments and impacts from Russia's aggression against Ukraine.

[Learn more](#)

EASA Workshop on New Conformity Assessment Framework for ATM/ANS

The EASA ATM Team is offering its audience a unique forum to discuss the latest developments for ATM/ANS equipment manufacturers, ANS providers and their competent authorities in ensuring safety and interoperability of the European Air Traffic Management network (EATMN).

[Learn more](#)

SESAR Innovation Days

5-8 December 2022, Budapest

Register now!

Hosted by: HungaryControl, EUROCONTROL, EASA, SESAR

Co-funded by the European Union

The SESAR 3 JU is pleased to announce that registration to the SESAR Innovation Days 2022 (#SID2022) is now open!

Now in its twelfth edition, the #SID2022 is kindly hosted by HungaryControl and aims to showcase some of the breakthrough concepts from the SESAR 3 JUs' research and development portfolio, in particular those communications (CPDLC), departure clearance services (DCL), digital-automatic terminal information system (D-ATIS), electronic flight strips (EFS), and DataLink.

The event will be opened on 5 December 2022 by an official ceremony at HungaryControl's headquarters where participants will have the chance to see the latest ATM Research and Innovation in action by visiting HungaryControl's facilities. The conference itself will take place from 6-8 December at the Hungarian Academy of Sciences in Budapest.

Why should you attend?

- Discover innovative projects and hear what's new in aviation research and innovation
- Meet and network with fellow ATM and aviation professionals, academics and experts
- Engage in our technical sessions for in-depth insights into the most cutting edge aviation research and development
- Meet like-minded researchers at the on-site poster exhibition and meet the people behind the research and innovation on show
- Get inspired by panel discussions from leaders in the aviation industry

And don't miss the chance to get together with your peers at the informal #SID2022 networking activity, more details of which will be shared shortly.

[Learn more](#)

Other Information

Unmanned Aviation at Airspace World 2023

Airspace World, formerly World ATM Congress - is set to become the world's largest and most influential event for the aerospace and near-space markets. The event will take place 8-10 March 2023 in Geneva. [Check out our exhibitor zone here.](#)

We welcome unmanned aviation into Airspace World, as it is such a critical and growing stakeholder in airspace management. Having an integrated and equitable solution for management of, and operation in, the world's airspace and near space is of paramount importance to everyone.

The work to design our future skies impacts our industry and the wider world. Businesses, governments, the military, consumers, and emergency services, for example, all need to operate safely and effectively in our safe skies. To find out more, download our [exhibitor brochure](#).

Join us, 10,000+ attendees, and the entire ATM ecosystem at Airspace World next March. By participating in this event you will be part of the drive to optimise our future skies, which will accelerate your sales and connect you with the people who matter.

[Learn more](#)

Issue 54 of airspace magazine has arrived

Welcome to this 54th issue of Airspace Magazine.

Collaboration is vital to meet the most of the challenges aviation faces - in the post-COVID-19 world, says Simon Hocquard, CANSO's Director General. That's especially the case when it comes to managing the impact Air Traffic Management can have on the environment.

That theme is picked up by Kok Juan Han, Director General of the Civil Aviation Authority of Singapore (CAAS) who says collaboration is key to both prosperity and sustainability.

We also look at how the transformation of air traffic management with guidance by the CATS Global Joint Advocacy at CANSO Europe, explains how air navigator service providers (ANSPs) addressed the revival of passenger numbers in Europe.

And with Airspace management in mind, you can also read about the impact and benefit of Long Range Air Traffic Flow Management (LFM), and about improvements to the airspace management being introduced in Latin America and Caribbean.

Edition highlights

- Drone skills vital to African success
- Defining the benefits of long-range ATM
- Improving airports in Latin America-Caribbean
- Connecting people, places and possibilities

[Learn more](#)

CANSO ATM Air Traffic Analysis Report – September 2022

Welcome to the latest CANSO ATM Air Traffic Analysis Report produced in collaboration with Aflero.

Figures in this month's report shows that pre-COVID seasonal variations may not be as predictable post recovery with September 2022 seeing a 5.5 per cent increase on the 3.44 million flights operated in September 2019:

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New issue now available to download

The latest issue of Air Traffic Management is now available to download.

Air Traffic Management has been the most influential and respected global publication in the ATM/ATC field for more than 25 years. In print and online, ATM keeps the sector's leaders informed, whether they work in established industry giants or start-ups entering the space.

Redesigned and re-focused in 2020, ATM goes beyond the control tower to touch on connected aspects of the modern aviation industry, such as telecommunications, networks and data management, but always with in-depth editorial coverage of air traffic management at the core.

Regular news and analysis includes:

- In-depth analysis of the big issues impacting Governments, Authorities, Airlines and ANSPs
- Focus on the global regions and the Challenges of Growth series
- Technology Focus on Airspace Management including: Satellite & Radar, Surveillance, Navigation, Communications, Training & Simulation
- UTM, UTM/ATM integration
- Remote Towers, Lighting & Visual Guidance, Meteorology, Environment & Sustainability

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Amsterdam Drone Week Industry Update and more ATM news.

Contents:

- Amsterdam Drone Week Industry Update
- Galwick Airport reappoints NATS as air traffic service provider
- Airways New Zealand recognised as safety leader
- GOF 2.0 drone test flights in Austria
- ATCA Global ... coming soon
- LFV moves toward more efficient air traffic control

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Flight in mountainous terrain

Flight in Mountainous Terrain is considered to be planned VFR flight in mountainous areas following the contours of the earth at altitudes below the height of the surrounding peaks.

Preflight

- Understand the performance capabilities and limitations of your aircraft.
- Plan and study your route.
- Obtain a comprehensive weather briefing.
- Reduce aircraft weight.

Inflight

- Fly early.
- Aviate flight at the bottom of a valley.
- Continuously update your escape strategy.
- In a crosswind situation, fly on the downwind side of the valley to take advantage of the rising air.
- Plan to cross ridges at least 1000' above the ridge altitude. Increase the crossing height with increasing winds.
- Approach a ridge at a 45 angle.
- Where possible, leave the ridge at 90 degrees.
- Do not continue into deteriorating weather. Make turnback decisions early.
- Maintain situational awareness.
- If required to turn back in a narrow canyon, initiate the turn from as close to the side of the canyon as possible.

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Mountain Waves (SKYclip)

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That Was The Week That Was 03-07 October 2022

The Assembly Over The Water

The capacity of aviation to teach us history never ceases to amaze. This week, the week that was, threw us back to the Glorious Revolution of 1688, as the States of the World Assembled in Montreal to discuss just how much we hate Russia (a lot) and just how much we love pointless gestures (even more).

By the end of the week, European, indeed global aviation was looking as pathetic and as pitiable as the last of the Jacobins, lamely toasting their 'king over the water'. Bless The Jacobins whatever their catholic Stuart king – who was both James II and James VII (one of England, one of Scotland) – to take back what was lost when the protestant Dutch, led by William of Orange, had marched (invited) to England in 1688 and installed himself and his cousin Mary (James II/VII's daughter) to the throne. England went from a two-in-the-price-of-one monarch to a one-OTB price-of-two deal. The mostly protestant English troops had turned and joined William's troops as he marched to London, making the revolution as bloodless as realistically possible. The last surviving Jacobins fell back, looking before and aft and longing for what was not.

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IWEN: Calendar

Organization	Event	Date	Location
IFATCA (International Federation of Air Traffic Controllers' Associations)			
EASA (European Union Aviation Safety Agency)			
SESAR (Single European Sky ATM Research)			
EUROCAE (European Organisation for Civil Aviation Equipment)			
EUROCONTROL			
EC (European Commission)			
EGHD (SES Expert Group on Human Dimension)			
ICB (Industry Consultation Body)			
IFALPA (International Federation of Air Line Pilots' Associations)			
ICAO Global			
ICAO European and North Atlantic (EUR/NAT) Office			
ICAO Asia and Pacific (APAC) Office			
ICAO Middle East (MID) Office			
ICAO South American (SAM) North American, Central American & Caribbean (NACC) Office			
ICAO Eastern and Southern African (ESA) Western and Central Africa (WACAF) Office			
NATCA Events			
Other			

Month	Event	Date	Location
OCTOBER 2022	SESAR/ EASA/Eurocae meeting 15:00 CEST Hotel Park Inn, Brussels, Belgium	17	17
	Towards Sustainable Aviation Summit + SAS2022 Toulouse (FRANCE)	18	20
	CANSO Event - Exploring Datalink in Latin America and Caribbean - The Essential Efficient Tower 15:00 - 17:00 CEST	19	19
	IFATCA 2022 Americas Regional Meeting, Punta Cana, Dominican Republic	18	20
	IFATCA 2022 Europe Regional Meeting, Brussels, Belgium	18	20
	IFATCA 2022 Africa & Middle East Regional Meeting, Mombasa, Kenya	20	22
IFATCA 2022 Asia/Pacific Regional Meeting, Radisson Blu, Macan-Cebu, Philippines	20	22	
NOVEMBER 2022	CANSO Event - Asia Pacific Conference 2022, Goa, India	1	3
	RPAS 2022, Montréal, Canada	7	9
	ATCA Global Conference and Exposition, Washington DC, USA	7	9
	75th Annual International Air Safety Summit 2022, Atlanta, Georgia, USA	7	12
	The World Controllers' Cup 2022, Tenerife, Canary Islands, Spain	7	12
	ICAO Drone Enable Symposium 2022, Montréal, Canada	14	16
DECEMBER 2022	Provisional Council (PC#58), Brussels, Belgium	24	24
	ICB General Meeting/03 14:00-17:00 (CEST)	29	29
	EU Drone Days, Brussels, Belgium	29	30
JANUARY 2023	EASA Annual Safety Conference 2022, Hotel OREA Pyramida, Prague (Czechia) LINK UPDATED	30	1 Dec
	SESAR Innovation Days 2022, Budapest, Hungary	5	8
FEBRUARY 2023	3rd and Final European Concept of Higher Airspace Operations (ECHO) Validation Workshop, Brussels, Belgium	6	7
	CANSO Event - Latin America and Caribbean Conference 2022, Orlando, Florida, USA	6	8
MARCH 2023	APDSG (ATM Procedures Development Sub Group)/85, EUROCONTROL, Brussels, Belgium & Webex 10:30 to 18:00 CEST	24	26
	CANSO Event - AirSpace World, Geneva	8	10
APRIL 2023	Civil-Military Stakeholder Committee meeting (CMSC/8), Brussels, Belgium [DATE UPDATED]	26	26
	APDSG (ATM Procedures Development Sub Group)/86, EUROCONTROL, Brussels, Belgium & Webex 09:30 to 17:30 CEST	25	27
MAY 2023	77th IFALPA Conference, Montréal, Canada	4	7
	Provisional Council (PC#59), Brussels, Belgium	15	15
OCTOBER 2023	Civil-Military Stakeholder Committee meeting (CMSC/9), Brussels, Belgium	12	12