



Regional Aviation Safety Group – Pan America (RASG-PA)

The REGIONAL AVIATION SAFETY GROUP - PAN AMERICA (RASG-PA) was established in November 2008 to be the focal point to ensure harmonization and coordination of safety efforts aimed at reducing aviation risks in the North American, Central American, Caribbean NAM/CAR, and South American (SAM) Regions and to promote the implementation of resulting safety initiatives by all stakeholders.

This will be achieved through the involvement of all stakeholders including ICAO, States, International Organizations and the industry.

Short Term Initiatives:

Develop and implement a work programme to implement the Global Aviation Safety Plan (GASP) and Global Aviation Safety Roadmap (GASR) in the region and to ensure the implementation of resulting action plans.

Longer term

1) Using the framework provided by the GASP and GASR, support the establishment and operation of a performance-based safety system for the Pan American region by:

a) Ensuring that all safety activities at the regional and sub-regional level are properly coordinated to avoid duplication of efforts;

b) Facilitating the sharing of safety information and experiences among all stakeholders from the region;

c) In part of the region where such a performance-based safety system does not exist, analyzing the risks to civil aviation at the regional level, developing action plans necessary to mitigate the risks, and coordinating and supporting their implementation; and

d) Conducting follow-up activities as required.

2) Provide feedback to ICAO and the Industry Safety Strategy Group (ISSG) to continually improve and ensure an up-to-date global safety framework (GASP and GASR).

ISSG GLOBAL AVIATION SAFETY ROADMAP: 12 FOCUS AREAS

The ISSG's members include: the International Air Transport Association (IATA); Airbus; Boeing; Airports Council International (ACI); the Civil Air Navigation Services Organization (CANSO); the Flight Safety Foundation (FSF); and the International Federation of Air Line Pilots Associations (IFALPA). ICAO was also an active and essential participant throughout the ISSG's Roadmap development activities.

Focus areas for States:

1. Inconsistent application of international (ICAO) Standards.
2. Inconsistent regulatory oversight.
3. Impediments to the reporting of errors and incidents.
4. Ineffective incident and accident investigation.

For Regions:

5. Inconsistent coordination of Regional programmes.

For Industry:

6. Impediments to reporting and analyzing errors and incidents.
7. Inconsistent application of Safety management Systems (SMS).
8. Inconsistent compliance with regulatory requirements.
9. Inconsistent adoption of industry best practices.
10. Non-alignment of industry safety strategies.
11. Insufficient number of qualified personnel.
12. Gaps in the employment of technology to enhance safety.

RASG-PA Membership

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Industry