



# Complicated Basics for a Sustainable CAA

## EASA ICF-4 - Implementing the Basics

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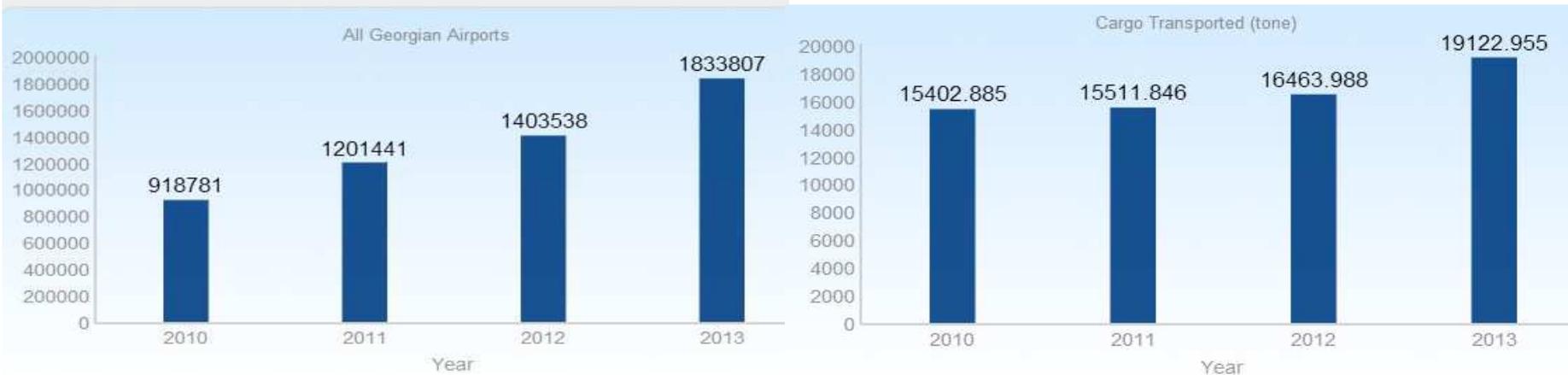
# Little Bit of History

- ▶ First Demonstration Flights- November 1911
- ▶ First Commercial Flight - May 10, 1923
- ▶ Member of ICAO since - 1994
- ▶ Member of ECAC since – 2005
- ▶ Member of EUROCONTROL since – 2014
- ▶ Signatory to European Common Aviation Area Agreement - 2010

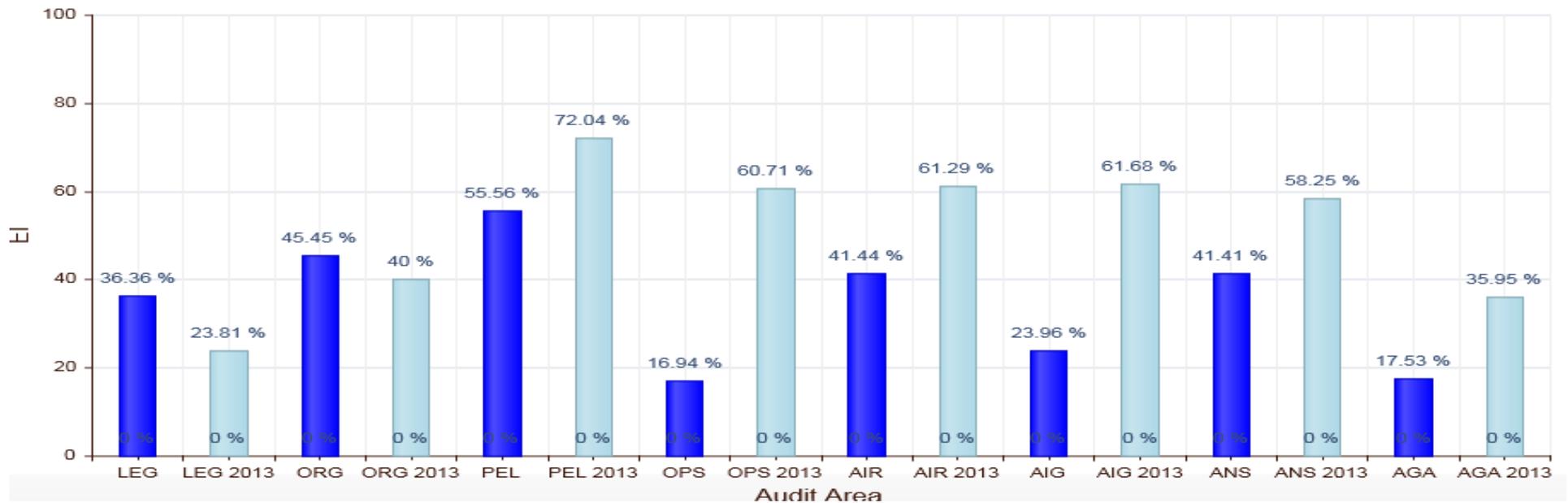


# Aviation in Figures

| 2010    | 2011      | 2012      | 2013      | Growth from previous year |
|---------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------------------------|
| 918,781 | 1,201,441 | 1,403,538 | 1,833,807 | 430,269 [ ~ 30.66% ]      |



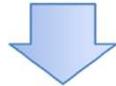
Effective Implementation (EI) by Audit Area



# Establishment of Georgian CAA

August, 2010

Ministry of Regional  
Development and  
Infrastructure



United Transport Administration  
*legal status – under the umbrella of the  
Ministry*



Civil Aviation Department  
*legal status - structural entity of UTA*

April 15, 2011

Ministry of Economy and  
Sustainable Development  
*(Transport Policy Department)*



Civil Aviation Agency  
*legal status – Legal Entity of Public Law*

## Airports

- Tbilisi International
- Batumi International
- Kutaisi International
- Domestic Airports

## ANSP

## Airlines

Other Stakeholders of Operational  
Level

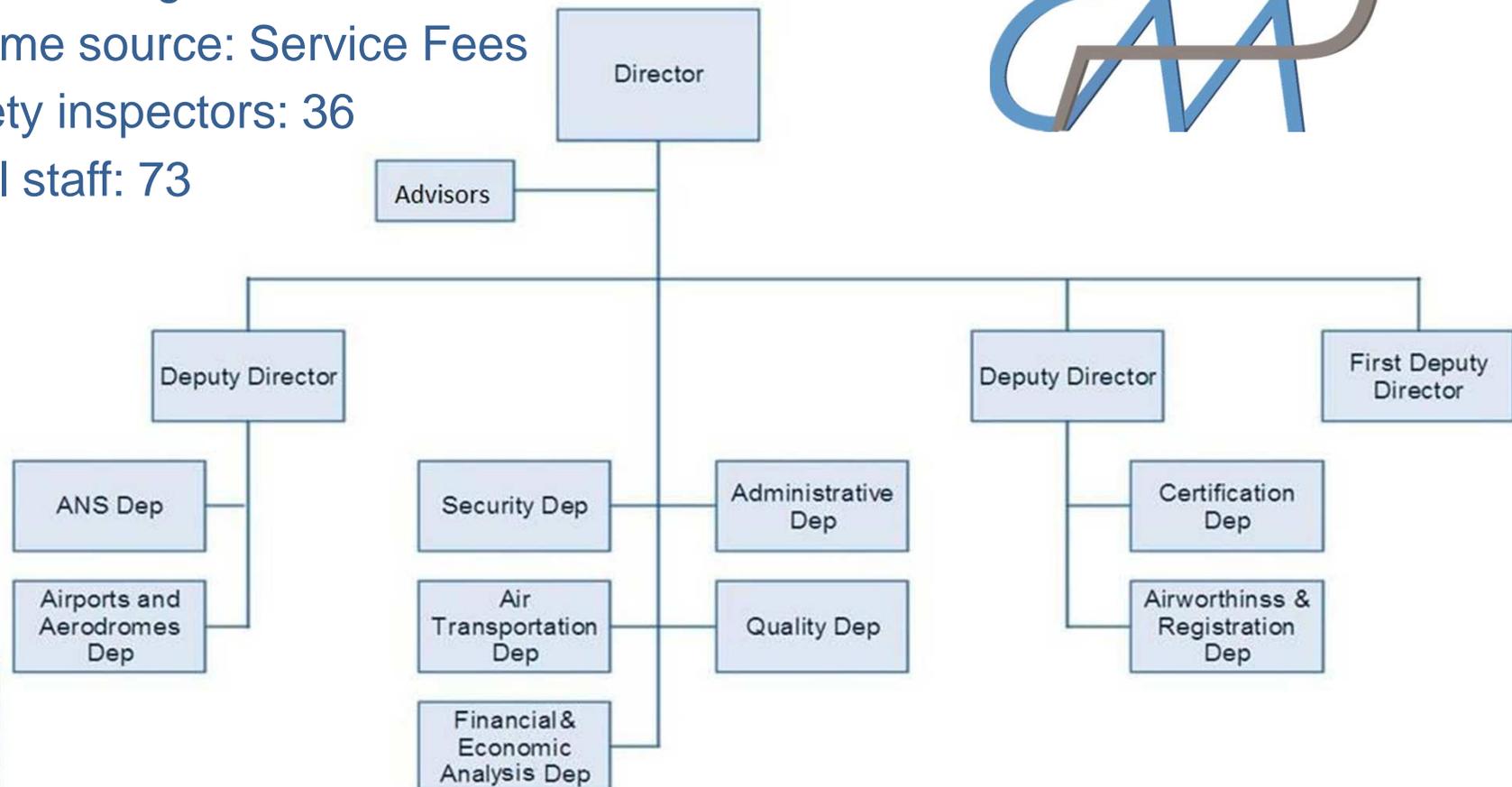
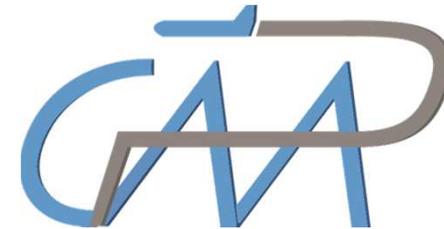
| STAFF |     |
|-------|-----|
| UTA   | CAA |
| 30    | 62  |

| INSPECTORS |     |
|------------|-----|
| UTA        | CAA |
| 19         | 36  |

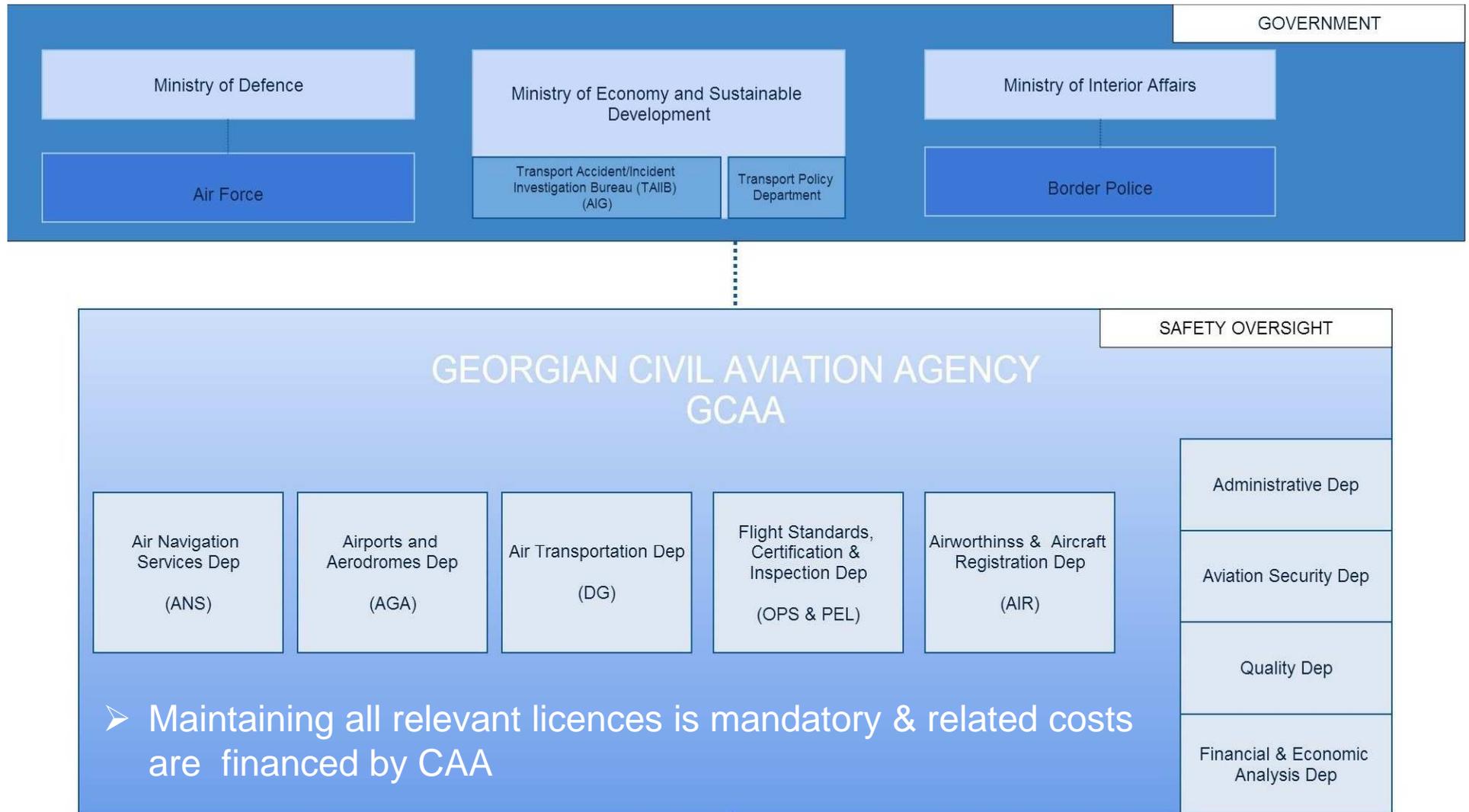
Salary increased for 300%

# Georgian Civil Aviation Agency

- ▶ Georgian Civil Aviation Agency (GCAA) was created on 15.04.2011 as a result of reforming the United Transport Administration into 3 independent Agencies for Aviation, Maritime and Road Transport.
- ▶ Legal Status: Legal Entity of Public Law
- ▶ Annual Budget: ≈1 800 000 EUR
- ▶ Income source: Service Fees
- ▶ Safety inspectors: 36
- ▶ Total staff: 73



# State Civil Aviation Oversight Bodies



# International Support For Sustainability

- ▶ **TWINNING** - Harmonisation of the Legislation and Standards of Georgia with the EU Norms in the Field of Civil Aviation;
- ▶ **TRACECA I and TRACECA II** Projects on Civil Aviation Safety and Security;
- ▶ **EUROCONTROL** Project on Support to CAA/NSA;
- ▶ **EASA** support via 2 Working Arrangements;
- ▶ **Bilateral Agreements** with CAAs on Technical Cooperation to overcome staff shortages;
- ▶ **Free trainings** provided using different funding mechanisms.



# Major Challenges

- ▶ Transposition and implementation of International Standards in a rapidly changing regulatory environment;
- ▶ Gap between generations of aviators and training for the next generation of aviation professionals;
- ▶ Managing the change towards European aviation system;
- ▶ Implementation of performance oriented oversight;
- ▶ Finding our role in Global and Regional Aviation system



# Lessons Learnt

- ▶ Active use of all internationally available support mechanisms to effectively perform safety oversight responsibilities;
- ▶ Creation of sense of ownership for the development processes, both within CAA and amongst aviation market players;
- ▶ Proactive behavior of the Management of CAA to involve highest level state officials in support for provision of sustainability and promotion of safety.



*“Tell me and I forget,  
teach me and I may remember,  
involve me and I learn.”*



*Thank you*



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