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Subject : **ICAO - EASA Joint pan-European NCMC meeting (E-NCMC)**
(Cologne, Germany, 4 May 2017)

Dear Madam/Sir,

1. We would like to address this invitation to your National Continuous Monitoring Coordinator (NCMC). As you know, the ICAO Global Aviation Safety Plan (GASP) calls for constant improvement of the effective implementation rate (EI) of ICAO safety related provisions. This is also set in the regional safety targets defined by the European Regional Aviation Safety Group (RASG EUR) responsible for the implementation of GASP at the regional level.

2. We would also like to refer to the recent Amendment I to Annex 19 clearly identifying the efficient State safety oversight system as an integral part of the State Safety Program that in itself sets the foundation for a performance-based State safety oversight system.

3. The role of the NCMCs in your State is essential in driving the necessary improvements at the State level. However, we do understand that sometimes achieving this role could be challenging, especially if acting alone. With this in mind we would like to inform you about the existing practice in other ICAO Regions where all NCMCs meet and discuss implementation challenges, share experience and get updates from ICAO representatives on recent developments of the ICAO Universal Safety Oversight Audit Program (USOAP).

4. It should be noted that in the ICAO European Region some States are already benefiting from the initiative taken by the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) to organise regular NSOC and NCMC meetings open to the European Union (EU) Member States and those States that entered into a contractual relationship at EU or EASA level. ICAO considers such fora to be important tools assisting States in improving their level of effective implementation (EI). Therefore, to avoid duplication and capitalize on existing experience of EASA in driving such a forum it was agreed to extend participation in the upcoming 7th meeting of European National Continuous Monitoring Coordinators (ENCMC/7) to all States in the area of accreditation of the ICAO EUR/NAT Office.

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5. Therefore the ICAO EUR/NAT Regional Office together with EASA invite your National Continuous Monitoring Coordinator to participate in the joint pan-European NCMC meeting that will be held in EASA headquarters in Cologne, Germany, on 4 May 2017. Information on the event, including hotel details, is posted on the EASA website: <http://www.easa.europa.eu/newsroom-and-events/events/7th-meeting-european-national-continuous-monitoring-coordinators-encmc7>. All visa support requests can be directed to the EASA focal point indicated below.

6. Please confirm the participation of your NCMC by return e-mail to the ICAO EUR/NAT office icaoearnat@paris.icao.int and copying EASA focal point Mr. Krzysztof KEDZIERSKI krzysztof.kedzierski@easa.europa.eu by 20 April 2017.



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