

# ICAO Global Reporting System and Format Creation

**EASA**

Implementation Workshop on the Global Reporting  
Format for Runway Surface Conditions

ICAO EUR Region

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Creation of a global system and format

Need to standardise information to pilots



# Operational need

Let there be no doubt.

- The ICAO global reporting system and format is developed based upon the operational need for information for the safe operation of the aircraft.
- Improved safety through performance-relevant reporting of runway conditions.

A global language.

A tool for making decisions.



Runway  
Condition  
Report (RCR)

A tool for  
making  
decisions

# Three accidents

- 1958 – Munich, Germany (+ 1959 incident at Idlewild, New York, USA)
  - Brought the slush into sharp focus – ½ inch rule
- 1989 – Dryden, Ontario, Canada
  - exhaustive investigation ....., but also of **the aviation system that allowed it to occur.**
  - JWRFMP
- 2006 – Midway, Chicago, USA
  - TALPA ARC

This methodology communicates actual runway conditions to pilots  
**in terms that directly relate to expected aircraft performance.**

# 1960's – IATA proposal – MOTNE - SNOWTAM

- 1963 - IATA addressed concern and proposed a new reporting system and format – Snow plan – MOTNE (only network available)
- 1968 – SNOWTAM pro-forma
- Report - Subjective judgement heavily based/supported by measured friction coefficient.
- Global application? - **No**

# JWRFMP (1995 – 2004+)

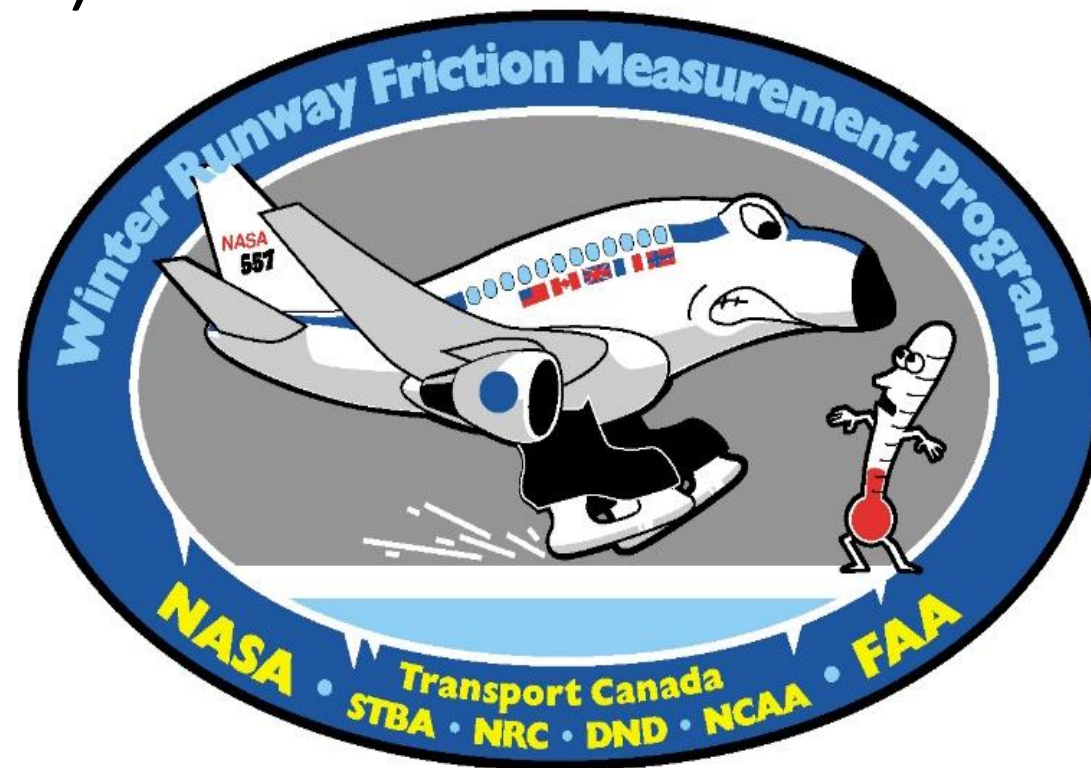


Angelo Boccanfuso

1962 – 2016

Transport Canada Development Centre

Joint Winter Runway Friction Measurement Program 1995 – 2004 +



# JWRFMP overall objective

- ..... device a better, more meaningful method for the pilot to determine landing and accelerated stopping distance requirements.
- Based upon, among others; recommendation (part of):
  - .... technically accurate means of defining runway surface conditions and their effects on aircraft performance.



# IMAPCR '99

- Review of ICAO documentation presented at ICAO HQ , Montreal through 16 Safety Barriers with a clear message to address the concern expressed:
- .... that ICAO address the discrepancies outlined
- .... that ICAO needs to address and clarify the documentation

AOSWG/1 – June 2005

Need to standardise information to pilots

(Chicago Midway - December 2005)

ICAO State letter - May 2006 – Questionnaire

FAA Workshop - August 2006

Aerodrome Panel - 1 December 2006

FAA – TALPA ARC - October 2007

AOSWG/5 – April 2008

ICAO Friction Task Force - April 2008

TALPA ARC transmitted proposals to FAA in April/May 2009

TALPA ARC closed in Nov 2009

TALPA initiative

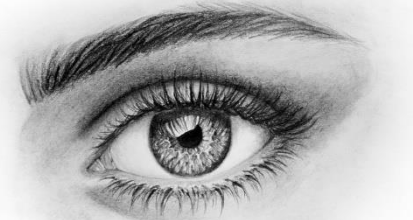
# FTF Phase 1 (2008 – 2011)

- Annex 14 and (Annex 15)
- Revised Reporting Procedure
- Revised SNOWTAM

MEASURED OR CALCULATED COEFFICIENT	or	ESTIMATED SURFACE FRICTION	
0.40 and above		GOOD	— 5
0.35 to 0.39		MEDIUM/GOOD	— 4
0.30 to 0.34		MEDIUM	— 3
0.25 to 0.29		MEDIUM/POOR	— 2
0.20 and below		POOR	— 1
9 — unreliable		UNRELIABLE	— 9

Since 14 November, 2013

- Circular 329 – Assessment, Measurement and Reporting of Runway Surface Conditions



■ Generation 1   ■ Generation 2   ■ Generation 3   ■ Generation 4

# No longer reporting $\mu$

*Friction measuring equipment values are no longer used to determine and report surface conditions because joint industry and multi-national government tests have not established a reliable correlation between runway friction values and the relationship to airplane braking performance.*

FAA SAFO 19001 - Landing Performance Assessment at Time of Arrival, 11 March 2019

Research - Procedures   Tests

1959 1962 1965 1968 1971 1974 1977 1980 1983 1986 1989 1992 1995 1998 2001 2004 2007 2010 2013 2016 2019

# FTF Phase 2 (2011 – 2020+)

- Global reporting system and format

4. November 2021

- Co-operation across Annex's and Panels

That what makes this work so valuable

# Air Navigation Commission JOB CARD ADOP.001

- Problem Statement:
- Runway surface conditions have contributed to many safety events and investigations have revealed **shortfalls in the accuracy and timeliness of assessment and reporting methods** currently provided for in ICAO provisions and guidance material.

# Air Navigation Commission JOB CARD ADOP.001

- **Pilots** of modern aircraft also **need reports that are directly related to the performance of the aircraft.**

# AMENDMENTS

- Annex 3
- Annex 6, Part II
  - Aeroplane Performance Manual (Doc 10064) New (2020)
- Annex 8
- Annex 11
  - PANS ATM
- Annex 14, Vol I
  - PANS Aerodromes
  - Circular 329 – Revised → Circular 355 (March 2019)
- Annex 15
  - PANS AIM – (Doc 10066)                      New (2018) (AIS-AIMSG)

*All changes are (and must be) coordinated!*



# Affects

- Aircraft Manufacturers (Aircraft Flight Manual)
- Aircraft Operators (Operations Manual)
- Aerodrome Operators (Aerodrome Manual)
- Aeronautical Information Services (SNOWTAM)
- Air Traffic Services (ATIS/VOICE)

ALL: One language

# Defined concept

- Definitions of terms define the fundamental, conceptual part of the report and assessment of the runway surface conditions methodology.
- Based on the defined concept the RCR is a **validated** method that replaces subjective judgements with objective assessments that are directly tied to criteria relevant for aeroplane performance. These criteria have been determined by aeroplane manufacturers to cause specific changes in aeroplane braking performance.

# Standardised information to pilots

## Aeroplane performance calculation section

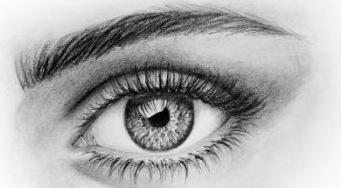
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Type of information identified by location in the information string.

## Situational awareness section

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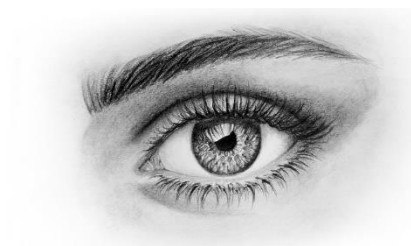
Each information ends with a . “full stop”



# Operational need

The information  
is being generated  
**in a standardised format**  
in order to meet an  
operation need.

Runway Condition Report (RCR)



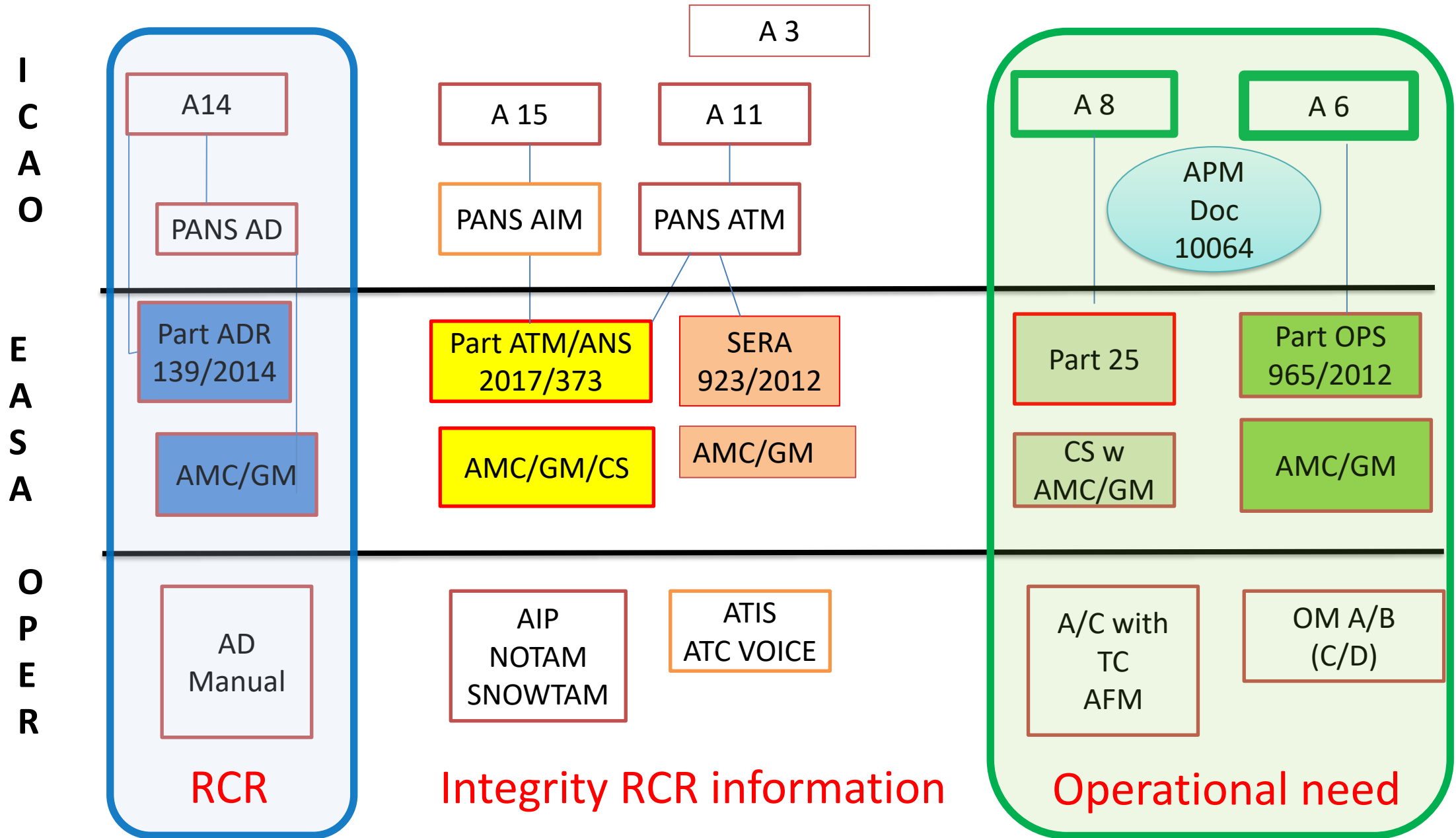
# Challenges

- Implementation
- Training
- Technical issues/Programming

Willingness to change



# Doc Hierarchy Europe



RCR

Integrity RCR information

Operational need

The information in the RCR – **Why?**

**SAFE OPERATION  
OF  
THE  
AEROPLANE**