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# INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION

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## Setting the Scene

*REGIONAL COOPERATION*

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## REGIONAL COOPERATION

Relatively New Concept

60s, 90s - Today

Economics first – Safety followed

RSOO and RAIO and other mechanisms were established evolved over the years on individual basis

Full fledge organizations – lesser complex mechanisms



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RSOs evolve in isolation among each other

Regional efforts without much feedback from other regions

ICAO provided first edition of doc 9734 Part B

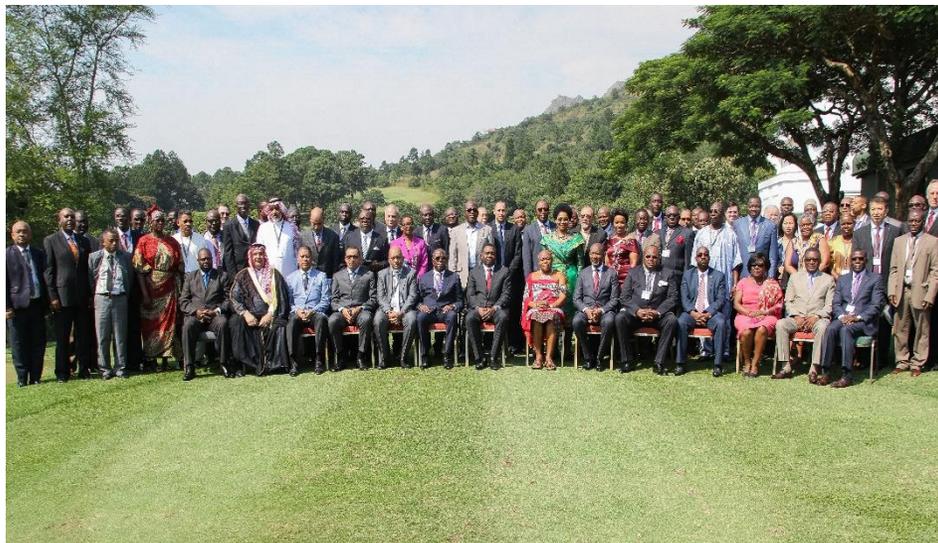
First policy on regional cooperation



## FIRST FORUM ON RSOOS -2017

The glue that put the bricks together

- Main outcomes
  - RSOOs Cooperative Platform
  - Global Aviation Safety Oversight System (GASOS)



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## **REGIONAL COOPERATION**

Facilitated through RSCU (Regional Safety Cooperation Unit)

### **FOUR AREAS THAT ICAO ASSISTS in...**

**RSOO and RAIO  
Cooperative Platforms**

ONE

**Development of Guidance  
Material**

THREE

**RSOO/RAIO Assessment  
Programme**

TWO

**Communication and Training**

FOUR



# ICAO/EASA Second Forum

## on Regional Safety Oversight Organizations (RSOOs) for Global Aviation Safety

Nairobi, KENYA | 10 - 12 October 2023



### Panel Sessions

### Synopsis

#### Panel 1 RSOOs Today

This Panel discussed where RSOOs are today, their current situations and their historical evolution

#### Panel 2 Challenges being faced by RSOOs

This Panel focused on identifying challenges and a practical feedback from existing RSOOs and some Member States of RSOOs

#### Panel 3 New Partnerships

After hearing about successes of RSOOs in Panel 1 and some of their challenges in Panel 2, Panel 3 discussed the contributions of partners and stakeholders and considered new partnerships and areas for cooperation for the continued enhancement of global aviation safety



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# Conclusions of the ICAO/EASA 2<sup>nd</sup> Forum on RSOOs for Global Aviation Safety

# STATES

were encouraged to continue to promote and support the establishment of RSOOs to further develop common or harmonized regulatory frameworks;;

were urged to adopt sustainable funding mechanisms for the effective operations of the RSOOs;;

were encouraged to actively utilize the services provided by their RSOOs and allocate appropriate resources;

were warned of the dynamic evolution of technology and challenges that they may create

# RSOOs

were encouraged to apply for GASOS assessments, not only to enhance their capacity but also reinforce their credibility to its Member States;

were urged to continue supporting Member States in achieving their safety goals;

were urged to sustainably and effectively utilize funds to support States;

were asked to anticipate States' challenges; quantify the impacts of those challenges and further prioritize their assistance activities; and adequately develop products and services to address emerging needs;

# ICAO

ICAO and partners were encouraged to continue the implementation of the No-Country-Left-Behind initiative with RSOOs as key enablers of this initiative;

was urged to update its Policy on Regional Cooperation that was adopted in 2009;

was recommended to finalize and publish guidance material related to the GASOS programme;

was called upon to continue encouraging industry to actively cooperate with RSOOs

# INDUSTRY

were urged to actively engage in the work of RSOOs and provide appropriate support, recognizing the impact and contribution of RSOOs on their operational environment, thus

the need for enhanced partnership involving States, industry and international organizations to promote regional co-operation was highlighted. An example of how this could be done is by setting up standing forms of cooperation and coordination between RSOOs and industry (such as stakeholders' advisory bodies) at the level of each RSOO or region;

was urged to channel technical assistance, where appropriate, through regional organizations. An RSOO is the means through which States could collaborate, share best practices, safety oversight tasks and resources, with the aim to establish and maintain an effective aviation safety oversight system in each region;

# Since Oct 2023.....RSCU

Encouraging RSOO participation in ICAO Panels

Urging partners to provide technical assistance at the level of the RSOOs to reach a multitude of States at the same time;

Assessing RSOOs to increase their capacities in assisting their Member States in accomplishing their safety oversight accident and incident investigation functions and activities

Actively completing the guidance materials

**Cooperation is the thorough conviction  
that nobody can get there unless  
everybody gets there."**

Virginia Burden.





Thank You!