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Subject: Invitation to attend Ninth Edition of AFI Aviation Week events including the following:

- a) *The 10th Meeting of the Directors General of the Civil Aviation Authorities (AFI-DGCA/10), initially planned in Kigali, Rwanda.*
- b) *The 27th AFI Plan and 13th AFI SECFAL Plan Steering Committee Meetings.*
- c) *The AFI Aviation Symposium; and*
- d) *The Extraordinary Meeting of the AFI Planning and Implementation Regional Group (APIRG) and the Regional Aviation Safety Group for the AFI Region (RASG-AFI).*

Action required: To confirm participation and register online by 28 June 2024

Sir/Madam,

I have the honour to invite your State/Organization to attend the Ninth Edition of the AFI Week events, gratefully hosted by the Government of the Gabonese Republic in Libreville, from **15 to 19 July 2024**,

These important events aim at further developing the appropriate strategies and providing the necessary actions to support the enhancement of the aviation industry in Africa. Important items will be discussed during the AFI Aviation Week events, including the progress made in implementing the ICAO global and regional Plans, the aviation performance enhancement all ICAO strategic objectives as well as priorities for the coming years.

It is therefore highly recommended that the Directors-General of the Civil Aviation Authorities attend in person accompanied by appropriate Technical Experts from their Administrations/Organizations, in order to derive optimum advantage and benefits from the events.

The details of the objectives of the meetings and criteria for participation are outlined in the **Attachment** to this letter. You are kindly invited to circulate this invitation to the appropriate entities within your State/Organization and to advise whether your State/Organization plans to participate in the above events by registering online at <https://www.icao.int/ESAF/Pages/AFI-WEEK-9.aspx> not later than **28 June 2024**.

Further information on preliminary agendas, work programmes, the information bulletin including a list of recommended hotels, as well as the meeting documentation will be provided in due course on the events' website. Kindly note that all the events will be conducted in both the English and French languages.

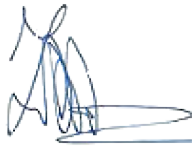
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All stakeholders from around the world who wish to take this opportunity to showcase their products and services are invited to email businessdevelopment@icao.int to obtain the full list of sponsorship and exhibition opportunities.

For more information on the events, please contact the ICAO Western and Central Office (Dakar) at icaowacaf@icao.int, and copy your State's corresponding Regional Office, namely the ICAO Eastern and Southern African Regional Office (Nairobi) at icaoesaf@icao.int, the ICAO Europe/North Atlantic Regional Office (Paris) at icaoeurnat@icao.int, and the ICAO Middle East Regional Office (Cairo) at icaomid@icao.int, as applicable.

Please accept, Sir/Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.



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Enclosure: Programme and eligibility criteria of the meetings.

**PROGRAMME OF AFI AVIATION WEEK – NINETH EDITION
(Libreville, Gabon, 15 – 19 July 2024)**

Monday/Tuesday 15 - 16 July 2024: Tenth Meeting of the Directors General of Civil Aviation of the Africa-Indian Ocean region (AFI-DGCA/10)

Objectives:

To review latest developments in aviation, the evolution of the aviation performance in all ICAO strategic objectives in the AFI region, key priorities and issues related to capacity building in the region.

Participants:

- Directors General of Civil Aviation of the AFI region, to be accompanied by technical experts as necessary, to take full advantage of the meeting's deliberations; and
 - Invited representatives of international and regional organizations, aviation stakeholders and industry.
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Wednesday 17 July 2024: Twenty-Seventh Meeting of the Steering Committee of the Comprehensive Regional Implementation Plan for Aviation Safety in Africa (AFI Plan) and Thirteen Meeting of the Steering Committee of the Comprehensive Regional Implementation Plan for Aviation Security and Facilitation in Africa (AFI SECFAL Plan)

Objectives:

To review activities of the AFI Plan and the AFI SECFAL Plan, and in particular, consider the report of the implementation of the two Plans' work programmes and projects; review and discuss the 2025-2030 programmes documents and projects, including actions undertaken by the Secretariat on the AFI Plan organizational and governance matters, following the OIO audit ; and provide guidance as appropriate.

Participants:

- AFI Plan and AFI SECFAL Plan Steering Committee Members;
 - Directors-General of Civil Aviation from AFI region Member States;
 - Senior Government officials of the appropriate authorities for Aviation Security and Facilitation from AFI region Member States; and
 - Invited representatives of other Member States and international/regional organizations/partners.
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Thursday 18 July 2024: AFI Aviation Symposium

Objectives:

To discuss various initiatives in and for Africa, share success stories and challenges, and agree on relevant strategies to further enhance aviation performance in the region. The symposium will also discuss issues related to the implementation in all ICAO Strategic Objectives (Safety, Air Navigation Capacity and Efficiency, Aviation Security, Economic Development of Air Transport and Environmental Protection).

Participants:

- Directors-General of Civil Aviation and Representatives of AFI region Member States; and
- Representatives from partner States, international and regional organizations, aviation stakeholders and industry.

Friday 19 July 2024:

The Extraordinary Meeting of the AFI Planning and Implementation Regional Group (APIRG) and the Regional Aviation Safety Group for the AFI Region (RASG-AFI).

Objectives:

To consider the enhancement of APIRG and RASG-AFI Structure as called by the APIRG/26 & RASG-AFI/9 Decision 5/05. The meeting will discuss and agree on the proposals developed by the Secretariat for a revised structure and new working methods of the new Group, as well as the consequential transitional arrangements.

Participants:

- Directors General of Civil Aviation and Technical Experts of APIRG and RASG-AFI Member States; and
- Representatives from partner States, international and regional organizations, aviation stakeholders and industry.

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