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“The recognized forum for leveraging strengths of Members to enhance the safety, acceptance and economic contribution of business aviation globally.”



IBAC staff wish all of our friends and colleagues best wishes for the holidays and for a healthy and happy New Year. We look forward to working with you in 2007.

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IBAC and Members Celebrate 25th Anniversary

Twenty-five years ago, at the Browns Hotel in London England, the Presidents and Executive Directors of the major business aviation associations from around the world met to discuss the formation of an international family of associations. The meeting marked the 1981 birth of the International Business Aviation Council (IBAC). Since that time IBAC has represented the interests of business aviation internationally and has served as a mechanism for business aviation to develop industry codes of practice for safety and security and to coordi-

nate and develop policy and procedures for a vast range of programs such as Air Traffic Management and the Environment.

IBAC's principle office is located in the ICAO headquarters building in Montreal and the Council is represented on many of the ICAO panels, work groups and regional planning groups.

The 25th year anniversary celebration took place in Orlando at an international dinner hosted by the National Business Aviation Association (NBAA).

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What's New at ICAO

ICAO Corner/20

- Mr. S.A.S. Alazab succeeds Mr. N.E. Kamel as the Representative of Egypt on the Council,
- Mr. S. Monti succeeds Mr. F. Cristiani as the Representative of Italy on the Council,
- Mr. Gil-sou Shin succeeds Mr. Soo-taek Rhee as the Representative of Republic of Korea on the Council,
- Mr. M. Rossall succeeds Mr. N. Denton as the Representative of the United Kingdom on the Council,
- Mr. M. Heijl designated Acting Director Air Navigation Bureau, pending appointment of successor to Mr. W. Voss.

An aviation Emissions Trading Scheme (ETS) becomes an increasingly topical subject as ICAO Council endeavors to guide related work of its Committee on Aviation Environmental Protection (CAEP) in the lead up to the ICAO Assembly, Fall 2007 where the Environment will be a major item.

Air Navigation Commission (ANC) completed a preliminary review of proposed 'omnibus' amendment of Annex 6 Part II and referred proposal to States and International Organizations for comment.

ICAO announces the convening, in Montreal, of:

- Symposium on the Performance of the Air Navigation System, 26-30 March 2007
- Colloquium on Aviation Emissions, 9-13 April 2007

For those readers who desire more information about ICAO, the UPDATE Editor recommends a visit to the ICAO website www.icao.int

EASA Establishes Work Groups to Develop Operations Rules

The European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) has named representatives to four Sub Groups established by the Operations Work Group tasked with developing EU operational rules. **Ray Rohr**, IBAC Standards Manager, was named to the non-commercial complex aircraft sub-group. Others included in the sub-groups are **Mark Wilson** of BBGA (CAT Sub-Group) and **Doug Carr** of the NBAA (NC Complex Aircraft).

The four Sub-Groups are:

1. Commercial Air Transport;
2. Aerial Work;
3. Authorities; and
4. Non-Commercial Complex Aircraft.

Work of the Sub-Groups started in November and will continue into the new year. The target for completing the draft rules and the Regulatory Impact Statement is August 1, 2007.



IBAC Planning and Operations Committee Reviews Proposed Safety Blueprint

IBAC's Planning and Operations Committee (POC), at its meeting of 14-15 September, reviewed a preliminary draft of a business aviation safety strategy. The strategy is to provide focused business aviation input to the ICAO Global Safety Plan, supplementing the work of a broader aviation industry Roadmap developed in response to a request for industry proposals made by the ICAO Air Navigation Commission (ANC).

The draft will be used as the basis for thorough discussions on new initiatives to be included in the plan. Contributing to the work of the POC will be the Flight Safety Foundation (FSF) and other interested business aviation organizations.

Healthy Interest in IBAC Standards Manager Position

Ray Rohr, IBAC's Standards Manager, who announced his intention to step down at the end of 2006, intends to continue into 2007 working for IBAC on regulatory issues such as the EASA rule making program for aircraft operations. The level of interest in the Standards Manager position from potential successors has been good. A Selection Committee commenced an analysis in November and is expected to name a new manager early in the new year.

The POC has identified 8 principle focus areas for consideration:

1. Culture
2. Codes of Practice (including application of SMS)
3. Adherence to industry standards,
4. Regulatory Framework (rules and oversight),
5. Data collection and analysis,
6. Safety equipment and tools,
7. Air Navigation and Airport Services,
8. Industry Support Services.

Brainstorming by the Work Group may develop additional proposals and the Group will develop the detailed action plan to further populate the Blueprint with safety initiatives.

Aviation Security Processes Continue to Cause Concern

Business aviation associations report continuing problems in the sporadic way some States are applying security rules. Business aviation is encouraging States to apply rules in accordance with the ICAO Standards and Recommended Practices (SARPS) for security (Annex 17). The Annex stipulates that Security Restricted Areas are to be established when the threat warrants. However, some States are applying SRAs to a whole airport, which is not the intent of the Standard.

International Dinner in Orlando is Venue for IBAC's 25th Anniversary Party

Mr. **Ed Bolen**, President and CEO of the National Business Aviation Association (NBAA) presents a plaque to Mr. **Don Spruston**, Director General of IBAC, while guests at IBAC's 25th anniversary party look on. The certificate honours the many contributors to the success of

the Council since its formation in 1981. Essentially all of IBAC's current and prospective Members were in attendance, along with Board and staff Members of NBAA. A highlight of the evening was a photo presentation of organizers and meetings from the Council origins in 1981.



Business Aviation Association for India (BAAI) Joins IBAC

Capt. **Karan Singh**, President and CEO of the new business aviation association in India (BAAI), attended IBAC's 44th Governing Board meeting on October 20 in Orlando Florida. BAAI formally stood for election to IBAC and its Governing

Board. Acting IBAC Chairman **Peter Gatz** of Germany welcomed BAAI to the international family of associations. India is a rapidly growing centre of business aviation activity, and IBAC membership provides the valuable international linkages.

Dr Kotaite Oversees Hanging of His Portrait

At a ceremony held on his last day as President of the ICAO Council, the painting presented by IBAC to **Dr. Kotaite** was placed in the ICAO headquarters building. Artist **Phyllis Ross (pictured)** was on hand for the event as were Dr. Kotaite's wife Monique and his brother and sister-in-law.



Middle East Forms New Business Aviation Association

A presentation was made to the IBAC Governing Board by the Middle East Business Aviation Association (MEBAA) at the IBAC Governing Board meeting in Orlando in October. Mr. Ali Al Naqbi, founding Chairman of the Association, attended the meeting and outlined the rapid growth of business aviation in the Middle East region.

ICAO Air Navigation Commission Reviews Annex 6 Part II Amendment

The ICAO Air Navigation Commission completed a preliminary review of the proposed modernization proposal for Annex 6 Part II in October. The amendment introduces new provisions that would govern corporate aviation (large and turbo jet non-commercial aircraft operations) and are included in a new section of the Annex. Current provisions governing basic general aviation operations are updated and included as a new Section 2. Definitions and general applicability data are included as Section 1.

ICAO to Issue State Letter on Annex 6 Part II

Following the ANC preliminary review of the modernization proposal for Annex 6 Part II, the ICAO Secretariat is preparing a package to be dispatched in a State Letter that will seek input from ICAO Member States and international organizations. Given the extensive consultation by ICAO in development of the Amendment, the industry supports the proposal and will encourage associations to support it in discussions with State authorities.

IBAC Environmental Issues Work Group (EIWG) Meets in Phoenix

Rich Gage, Chairman of IBAC's Environmental Issues Work Group (EIWG), convened a meeting of the Committee in November in Phoenix. The meeting was hosted by Honeywell, a company that has provided strong support to EIWG through participation of Technical Advisor **Don Weir**. Included in the subjects discussed was the position on engine emissions in preparation for the February 2007 meeting of the ICAO Committee on Aviation Environmental protection (CAEP/7).

IBAC Conducts First IS-BAO Workshop in Asia

Operators in Asia requested and were presented with the first Workshop for operators and auditors interested in the International Standard for Business Aircraft Operations (IS-BAO). Attendees from Hong Kong China, Macau and Australia attended the session at Hong Kong's international airport.



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Business Aviation Annual Conventions and Meetings—Popularity Grows

The US **National Business Aviation Association (NBAA)** held its **45th Convention and Annual Meeting** in Orlando 17-19 October. The event boasted record breaking numbers for attendance (33,088) and exhibitors (1,140). Business aviation leaders from all corners of the world met to review and discuss new technologies. The Convention offers a vast array of workshops, seminars and information sessions covering all significant and current issues of interest to business aviation.

The **Business Aircraft Association of Australia (ABAA)** held its Annual Meeting in Cooloom on September 6, in association and partnership with the Regional Airline Association of Australia (RAAA) Convention. The productive meeting featured discussion on the significant growth potential of business aviation in Australia. Members of the Civil Aviation Safety Authority presented new concepts for rule making in Australia that will significantly involve the industry.



Industry leaders discuss ANS fee proposals at NBAA meeting in Orlando

The **European Business Aviation Association (EBAA)** held a well attended regional forum at the thriving business aviation airport at Farnborough, UK on September 13.

IS-BAO Workshops

IS-BAO Workshops are held throughout the year in different locations depending on the demand. Seven Workshops have been scheduled to date for 2007 as follows. Additional Workshops will be added on request and as demand indicates.

- San Antonio, Texas, USA, 30 January 2007
- Bedford, MA, USA, 28 February 2007
- West Chicago, IL, USA, 4 April 2007
- Geneva, Switzerland, 21 May 2007
- Atlanta, Georgia, USA, 20 June 2007
- Washington, DC, USA, 21 August 2007
- Oakland, CA, USA, 9 November 2007

For detail and potential additions and changes see IBAC website at <http://www.ibac.org/is-bao/Audit%20Workshop.html>

IBAC Calendar of Upcoming Events

- Committee on Aviation Environmental Protection (CAEP/7), Montreal, 5-16 February
- Asian Business Aviation Conference and Exhibition, Hong Kong, 6-7 February 2007
- BBGA Conference, St Albans, UK, 27 February 2007
- IBAC Planning and Operations Committee (POC/16), Brussels, 15-16 March 2007
- European Business Aviation Conf and Exhibit (EBACE2006), Geneva, 22-24 May 2007
- IBAC Governing Board (GB/25), Geneva, 25 May 2007
- CBAA Convention, Calgary, 9-12 July 2007
- IBAC Planning and Operations Committee (POC/17), Calgary, 13-14 July 2007



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