



## Press Release

An interregional workshop on the topic of “Threat Assessment and Risk Management” took place in Doha, Qatar on 14 and 15 November 2023. This workshop was jointly organised by the European Civil Aviation Conference (ECAC), as the implementing body of the EU-funded CASE II Project, the African Civil Aviation Commission (AFCAC), and the Arab Civil Aviation Organization (ACAO) and was hosted by the Qatar Civil Aviation Authority.

The event was opened by the President of the Qatar Civil Aviation Authority, the Director General of the Arab Civil Aviation Organization, the CASE II Project Manager and the AFCAC Aviation Security and Facilitation Expert. All underlined the importance of the initiative and the excellent coordination between the organisers which led to the realisation of this event.

Moderated and animated by 17 speakers, drawn from Partner State and ECAC Member State civil aviation authorities, from regional and international aviation organisations, and from stakeholders in the aviation industry in both Partner States and ECAC Member States, this workshop brought together more than 100 delegates from civil aviation authorities, government departments, law enforcement agencies, and airport operators of 51 States.

The main objective of this workshop was to bring together regulators and stakeholders to discuss the various security threats posed to the aviation ecosystem, and to understand how to constantly review its level key assets. Discussion topics covered:

- Existing and emerging threats to civil aviation, and trends to follow for the future;
- The establishment and implementation of a national risk assessment methodology and mitigation strategy;
- The assessment and mitigation of threats to the landside and airside areas of airports, including insider risk management;
- Risk assessment-based security oversight of the aviation industry (specifically airlines and air navigation providers); and

The event also included a panel discussion on capacity building and regional cooperation in this field, and a debate open to all participants on the challenges faced in the implementation of risk assessment techniques.



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