

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MoU)

Between:

Fédération des Associations Professionnelles des Contrôleurs de la Circulation Aérienne
de l'ASECNA (FACAA)



And:

International Federation of Air Traffic Controllers' Associations (IFATCA)



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Preamble

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is made and entered into by and between the ***Fédération des Associations Professionnelles des Contrôleurs de la Circulation Aérienne de l'ASECNA (FACAA)*** and the ***International Federation of Air Traffic Controllers' Associations (IFATCA)***, collectively referred to as the "Parties," to establish a framework for cooperation and collaboration.

Article 1: Organizational descriptions

1.1 Fédération des Associations Professionnelles des Contrôleurs de la Circulation Aérienne de l'ASECNA ([FACAA](#))

The Fédération des Associations Professionnelles des Contrôleurs de la Circulation Aérienne de l'ASECNA (FACAA) is a non-political and a non-profit organization that was established on May 24, 2011, in Cotonou, Republic of Benin, at its founding congress. It comprises sixteen (16) member associations located in the various member states of ASECNA.

It gained official recognition from the Beninese Government on May 24, 2012, under the registration number 2012/015/MISPC/DC/DGAI/SAAP-ASSOC. Its headquarters are in Cotonou, Republic of Benin.

FACAA envisions a future marked by the collective strength of ASECNA's air traffic controllers and strives to be the driving force behind the advancement of air traffic management in the ASECNA airspace. Its vision extends beyond regional boundaries, aiming to position the Federation as a key influencer in the global aviation landscape.

FACAA is committed to promoting and safeguarding the interests of air traffic controllers, enhancing air navigation safety and efficiency within ASECNA, providing expertise in developing air traffic control systems, supporting relevant legislation, maintaining high professional standards, cooperating with national and international authorities, contributing to the development of new procedures, addressing socio-professional issues.

1.2 International Federation of Air Traffic Controllers' Associations ([IFATCA](#))

IFATCA has been representing air traffic controllers since 1961 in over 130 countries. Its mission is to promote the highest standards of safety, efficiency, and regularity in international air navigation, and to enhance the professional status, working conditions, and knowledge of air traffic controllers.

Article 2: Purpose of the MoU

The purpose of this MoU is to establish a cooperative relationship between FACAA and IFATCA to promote mutual interests, enhance the professional development of air traffic controllers, and improve the safety and efficiency of air traffic management in the ASECNA region (served by FACAA) and globally.

Article 3: Areas of Cooperation

3.1 Membership Rights and Duties

FACAA will be granted the rights and responsibilities of an IFATCA Industry Partner, allowing it to participate in IFATCA's activities, subject to the provisions of this MoU.

3.2 Representation

IFATCA will invite FACAA's nominated representative to participate with observer status in IFATCA conferences, Africa Middle East Regional meetings, Task Forces, and Committee meetings. Access to IFATCA conducted training and associated resources may also be made available, subject to applicable fees. **3.3 Promotion and Communication**

FACAA is committed to promoting and revitalizing its members' interest in IFATCA and its various activities. It will use its communication channels for this purpose and will make them available to IFATCA upon request.

3.4 Network and Sponsorship Benefits

FACAA will benefit from IFATCA's worldwide network of partners and sponsors, particularly during FACAA's General Assemblies. IFATCA officials may attend FACAA's General Assemblies to strengthen the relationship and provide support.

3.5 Relationship with Civil Aviation Authorities

FACAA will leverage its close relationships with the civil aviation authorities of the eighteen (18) African ASECNA countries to support IFATCA's initiatives and foster collaboration between these authorities and IFATCA.

3.6 Professional Training

IFATCA may assist FACAA in the professional training of IFATCA Member Association air traffic controllers, sharing expertise and resources to enhance their skills and knowledge.

Article 4: Implementation and Review

4.1 Implementation

The Parties agree to establish a joint working group, under oversight of the Executive Vice-President Africa Middle East, to oversee the implementation of this MoU and to ensure that the objectives are met.

4.2 Review and Evaluation

The Parties will conduct an annual review of the progress and effectiveness of this MoU. Amendments may be made with mutual consent to ensure the ongoing relevance and success of the cooperation.

Article 5: Duration and termination

5.1 Duration

This MoU will remain in effect for a period of two (2) years from the date of signing and may be renewed upon mutual agreement of the Parties.

5.2 Termination

Either Party may terminate this MoU by providing written notice to the other Party with at least six (6) months in advance.

Article 6: Non-Binding Nature

This MoU is a statement of intent and does not create legally binding obligations between the Parties.

Signatures

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, duly authorized representatives of FACAA and IFATCA, have signed this MoU on the dates indicated below.

For FACAA:

Name: SANGARE Moussa

Title: President FACAA

Date:

For IFATCA:

Name: Helena Sjöström

Title: President & CEO IFATCA

Date: