

Curriculum Vitae

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Mr Sadou MARAFA has been graduate as “Ingénieur de l’aviation civile” at the French National School of Civil Aviation (ENAC) in Toulouse, France.

For over 28 years, Mr MARAFA has plaid high management roles and held executive positions in ASECNA which is the air navigation services provider in seventeen African states, starting as manager of Niamey airport, then representative of ASECNA in Niger, head of ANS department at ASECNA headquarters, and ended as Director of operations. During this period, among other achievements he conducted the introduction of ATM automation systems and surveillance means in ASECNA main centers.



Then Mr Marafa served as regional officer for ATM and SAR at the ICAO regional office in Dakar, where he worked in particular to the implementation of PBN routes in the AFI region. In coordination with IATA, he led the team who implemented flexible routes over the oceanic area between Africa and South America. At the same time, he extended his expertise and became ICAO auditor for the ANS area and ICAO instructor in safety management. As such, he participated in several ICAO USOAP audits in the AFI Region.

Secondarily, he served as adviser in the civil aviation field for the government of Niger, assigned to create and operationalize the national airline.

Mr Marafa is presently the Executive Secretary of AAMAC, which is the Regional Safety Oversight Organization created by ASECNA member states to assist them in their oversight functions with regard to air navigation service providers, ASECNA being the principal.