



Review of CAPSCA Africa's goals and achievements, including last CAPSCA Africa meeting conclusions

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CAPSCA Africa

→ An International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) global initiative to improve preparedness planning and responses to public health emergencies that affect the aviation sector

→ CAPSCA Africa started in 2009 and now has twenty eight (28) member States





CAPSCA AFRICA Members

| ANGOLA | GHANA | NIGERIA |
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| BENIN | GUINEA | REP. OF CENTRAL AFRICA |
| BOTSWANA | GUINEA BISSAU | SENEGAL |
| BURKINA FASO | KENYA | SOUTH AFRICA |
| CAPE VERDE | LESOTHO | SWAZILAND |
| COTE D'IVOIRE | MALI | TOGO |
| DEMOCRATIC REP. OF CONGO | MAURITANIA | UGANDA |
| GABON | MOZAMBIQUE | UNITED REP. OF TANZANIA |
| GAMBIA | NIGER | ZAMBIA |
| | | ZIMBABWE |





CAPSCA Africa

- → CAPSCA provides multi-sector seminars and workshops on preparedness planning, and arranges assistance visits to international airports.
- → During the visits, some training is provided and preparedness plans that have been developed locally and/or nationally are reviewed, and improvements suggested





Goals and achievements

Two States joined since last CAPSCA Africa meeting

→ GUINEA



→ GUINEA BISSAU







Goals and achievements

- → One State/Airport Assistance visit implemented in 2014
 - Uganda, Entebbe Airport
- → Requests for visits received from UEMOA to be conducted in December 2014 for:
 - Burkina Faso, Ouagadougou Airport
 - Côte d'Ivoire, Abidjan Airport
 - Guinea Bissau, Bissau Airport
 - Mali, Bamako Airport
- OJT for new technical advisers during the above visits
- Visits on cost recovery basis





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- 1. With respect to ebola the meeting felt that communication and collaboration across sectors and between stakeholders is essential
- 2. Public health preparedness requires the active involvement of the public health sector with the aviation sector at all levels: global, regional, national and operational this requires organizing *joint* meetings/training/Assistance Visits
- 3. There should be a harmonised approach to preparedness planning and response by different airports/airlines in a State and in a region communication channels must be established (in advance of an outbreak for currently unaffected States)





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- 3. Africa needs to become self sufficient in managing preparedness and response in the aviation sector. It will not be possible to provide help from outside the region on a sustained basis. CAPSCA can help train officers, but they must be released by their State to attend training and participate in CAPSCA activities afterwards).
- 4. Kenya Airways advised that it provides preparedness planning training for staff working for companies that have contracts with the company. It would be willing to extend this training to other organizations on request by the Civil Aviation Authorities.
- 5. States that have had recent experience of planning for ebola in the aviation sector are encouraged to record their experiences and challenges and send them by e-mail to the ICAO regional offices for posting on the

CAPSCA website





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- 6. Any State could suffer a serious outbreak of Ebola it is not possible to prevent the spread of disease by banning travel to and from affected countries. Every State should be prepared to manage such events by :
 - establishing a public health/aviation sector working group for development of a National Aviation Plan for Public Health Events,
 - developing SOPs and
 - undertaking exercises to test preparedness plans/SOPs.
- 7. Kenya (Dr Stephen Karau) and Cote d'Ivoire (Dr Ouerega Joseph) come to the end of their third year term as chair and deputy chair of CAPSCA Africa. The meeting expressed its appreciation of their work in supporting the development of CAPSCA Africa and they were elected to a second three year term by acclamation.





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States are encouraged to:

- Join CAPSCA by sending a letter to ICAO or WHO regional office (no cost)
- Request an Assistance Visit by sending a letter to ICAO or WHO Regional Office (cost recovery)
- Offer to host the next CAPSCA Africa meeting in 2015
- Volunteer technical advisor(s) from CAAs and PHAs to be trained by ICAO and possibly participate in assistance visits (must have a connection to home State)





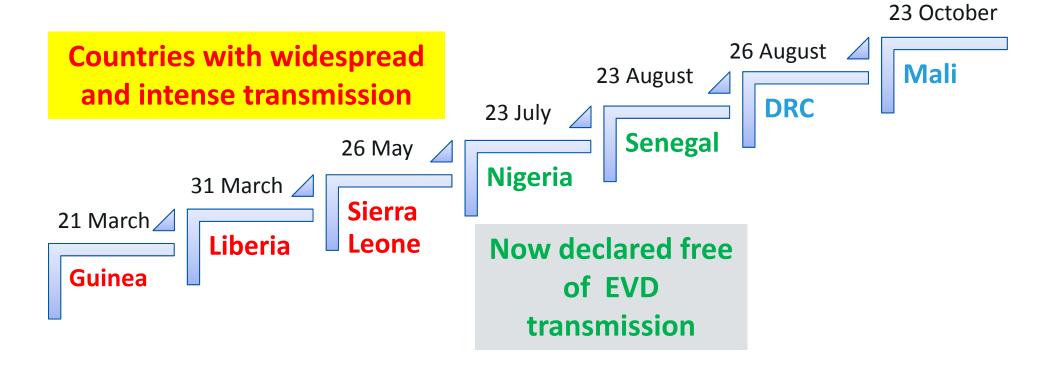
The Ebola outbreak in Africa







Origin and evolution of the outbreak in the region







Situation Report as on 14 November

There have been 14 413 reported Ebola cases in eight countries since the outbreak

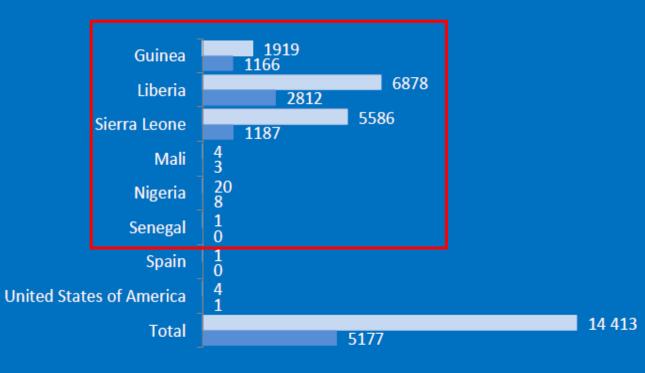
HIGHLIGHTS

CASES /

DEATHS

- Case incidence continues to increase in Sierra Leone, and transmission also remains intense in Guinea and Liberia.
- A total of 4 cases, including 3 deaths, have been reported in Mali.

began, with 5177 reported deaths.







Impact – travel restrictions

- Some States impose restrictions on air travels and some airlines suspended their operations to and from the affected countries
- The consequence is that lives are being unnecessarily lost because health care workers cannot travel to the affected countries, and delivery of life saving equipment and supplies is being delayed.





Coordination efforts of the ICAO Regional Offices

- Daily monitoring and information exchange with ICAO HQ and WHO
- Providing Information, guidelines and advises to States
- Information and collaboration on restriction measures with States and International Organizations (AU, AFCAC, ECOWAS, EAC, ASECNA, ...)
- Flight information, coordination for UN staff security, ...
- Information, collaboration, facilitation of flights, ... with States and International Organizations (WHO, CDC, Eurocontrol, ASECNA, ...)
- Etc.





High level Meetings

EAC (East African Community) Regional High Level Multi- Sectoral Ministerial Meeting on the Emergency Preparedness and Response to Ebola Virus Disease Outbreak, **16 - 17 September 2014**, Nairobi, Kenya.

The meeting received presentations from ICAO on the CAPSCA programme and the Ebola Virus Disease Epidemic. The meeting recommended:

- Countries to participate actively in CAPSCA
- EAC Secretariat and Institutions/agencies to coordinate, advice and support countries to participate in ICAO's CAPSCA programme





High level Meetings

A meeting chaired by the President of the ICAO Council and attended by the ICAO Secretary General and representatives of African States and Organizations, ICAO HQ, Montréal, Canada, 1 October 2014

- States, airports and airlines to implement emergency preparedness plans and containment measures
- Airlines are encouraged to continue operating into the affected States, or to re-start operations if currently halted
- States to review relevant Notices To Airmen (NOTAMS) and cancel Ebola related restrictions, where feasible





High level Meetings

EXTRAORDINARY SESSION OF THE AUTHORITY OF ECOWAS (Economic Community Of West African States) HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT, Accra, Ghana, 6 November 2014

The ECOWAS Commission received inputs from ICAO. The Heads of State and Government:

- urge the Member States to join CAPSCA and seek assistance from CAPSCA
- invite all the Member States to remove restriction and ban on the movement of persons and goods to and from the affected countries, while observing the appropriate health control at the borders.







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