

## Third ICAO Conference on Aviation and Alternative Fuels (CAAF/3)

### STATEMENT BY GREECE

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Mr. President, Mr. Secretary-General, and distinguished delegates,

**Greece** is committed to advance ambitious actions to reduce aviation CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, so as to limit the global average temperature increase and the negative impacts of Climate change. It is so important to achieve air transport sustainable development, which is an essential economic pillar for all counties by supporting tourism, trade, connectivity, and economic growth.

**Greece** emphasizes the importance of conveying an ambitious, quantified vision in the Global Framework as the outcome of this CAAF/3 conference, which will serve as a significant driver towards concrete actions to decarbonize the aviation sector. We are also committed to ICAO's No Country Left Behind initiative and willing to contribute to capacity building and training efforts.

**Greece** supports a global quantified vision for SAF (*Sustainable Aviation Fuels*) and other Aviation Cleaner Energies, consistent with ICAO's Long-Term Aspirational Goal for international aviation of net-zero carbon emissions by 2050. By using a robust set of metrics, greater incentive to fuel pathways with significant emissions reduction potential can be achieved, thus including all fuels with the ability to contribute to emissions reduction goals.

We support a Global Framework that sets out the policies, measures, and support mechanisms that ICAO and its Member States should implement to facilitate the global upscaling of SAF in all regions. And therefore, we should build upon ICAO's existing structures and frameworks, including the CORSIA sustainability framework, to avoid duplication and unnecessary complexity.

We encourage member States, ICAO, and stakeholders to continue with their support to States under ACT-SAF initiative and with provision of voluntary funding for capacity building, so as no countries are left behind and all together support this aspirational aviation path towards sustainability and carbon neutrality.