

**CONFERENCE ON THE ECONOMICS OF AIRPORTS AND
AIR NAVIGATION SERVICES**

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DRAFT REPORT ON AGENDA ITEM 6

Agenda Item 6: Guidance and assistance by ICAO

ICAO ACTIVITIES IN THE FIELD OF ECONOMICS OF AIRPORTS AND AIR NAVIGATION SERVICES

6.1 Documentation

Secretariat (WP/23) provided summary descriptions of the guidance material developed by ICAO on the economics and management of airports and air navigation services. In addition to the Council Statements, these include the *Airport Economics Manual* (Doc 9562), the *Manual on Air Navigation Services Economics* (Doc 9161/3), the *Report of the Air Navigation Services Economics Panel on Financial and Related Organizational and Managerial Aspects of Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS) Provision and Operation* (Doc 9660), *Guidelines for Cost-Benefit Analysis of Communications, Navigation and Surveillance/Air Traffic Management (CNS/ATM) Systems* (Circ. 257), the *Airport Planning Manual* (Doc 9184), the *Manual on Air Traffic Forecasting* (Doc 8991), and the *Digests of Statistics* (Series AT, AF, Doc 9180). The paper also provided an overview of workshops and seminars which include subjects that have a bearing on airport and route facility management, as well as technical support carried out by the Air Transport Bureau, for example, for the regional planning process, the Global Aviation Safety Plan, the SADIS Cost Allocation and Recovery Scheme and technical co-operation.

6.2 Discussion

6.2.1 The Conference noted the information provided in the paper and opinion that in view of the inter-related tasks of the Airport Economics Panel and the Air Navigation Services Economics Panel, consideration should be given to merge them into a single body.

6.2.2 In the context of future work by the Organization, it was noted that all Conference recommendations for studies and other tasks were contingent upon the availability of resources.

TRAFFIC AND FINANCIAL DATA REQUIREMENTS

6.3 Documentation

Secretariat (WP/57) underlined the increasing importance of traffic and, particularly, financial data of airports and air navigation services in order for States to exercise the economic oversight of their operations, and the associated need to align the guidance material provided by ICAO on financial control and accounting in conjunction with the related requirements of the ICAO Statistics Programme. The paper also stressed the need for States to participate in the ICAO Statistics Programme.

6.4 **Discussion**

6.4.1 The Conference endorsed the action suggested in WP/57 and adopted the following Recommendation:

RECOMMENDATION 6/1

THE CONFERENCE

RECOMMENDS that

- a) the Council develop the traffic and financial data for airports and air navigation services collected through the ICAO Statistics Programme in alignment with the guidance provided by ICAO on financial control and accounting for these infrastructure components; and
- b) States make every effort to complete and submit the relevant Air Transport Reporting Forms (J and K for finances, I and L for traffic) to ICAO in a timely manner.

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