

# **ICAO RPAS SARPS**



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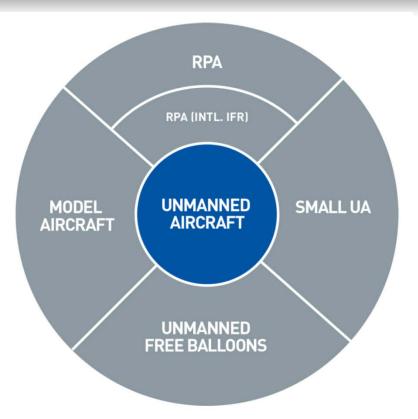


# Webinar overview

- The role of ICAO to support RPAS operations development (why?)
- What ICAO is doing to support RPAS operations development (standards development)
- How ICAO is supporting RPAS operations development (the RPAS Panel)



#### RPA are aircraft



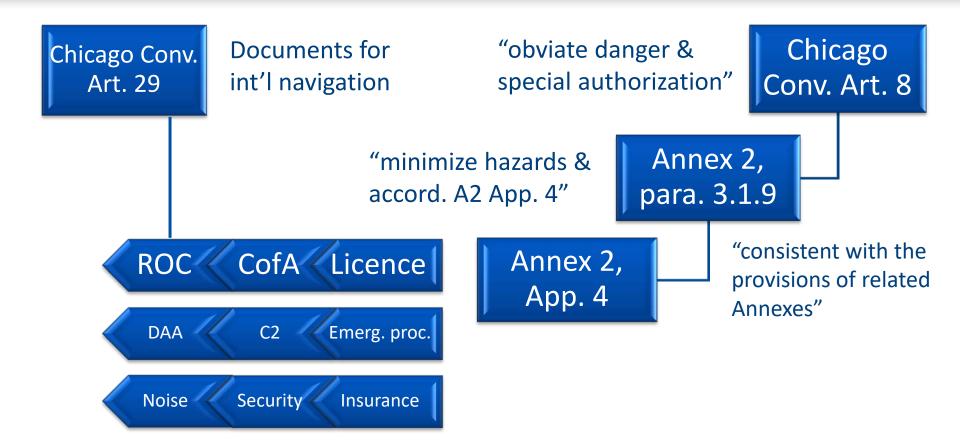
**Aircraft**. Any machine that can derive support in the atmosphere from the **reactions of the air** other than the reactions of the air against the earth's surface.

**Unmanned aircraft.** An aircraft intended to be operated with **no pilot on board**:

- A remotely piloted aircraft (RPA) is part of an RPAS (system); piloted from a RPS
  - subset of RPA intended for international, instrument flight rules (IFR) operations; full regulatory certification
- Small UA: generally <25 kg (commonly "drones")</li>
- Unmanned free balloons: non-power driven, unmanned, lighter-than-air aircraft in free flight
- Model aircraft: scaled down version; recreational



#### Foundations of ICAO's mandate





#### **Article 8 of the Chicago Convention**

#### Article 8

#### Pilotless aircraft

No aircraft capable of being flown without a pilot shall be flown without a pilot over the territory of a contracting State without special authorization by that State and in accordance with the terms of such authorization. Each contracting State undertakes to insure that the flight of such aircraft without a pilot in regions open to civil aircraft shall be so controlled as to obviate danger to civil aircraft.

- Special authorization from overflown State
- Flight controlled so as to obviate danger



### SAFETY Article 29 of the Chicago Convention

Every aircraft of a contracting State, engaged in **international navigation** shall carry the following documents:

- a) Its certificate of registration;
- b) Its certificate of airworthiness;
- c) The appropriate licenses for each member of the crew;





#### ICAO SAFETY Annex 2 to the Chicago Convention

#### 3.1.9 Remotely piloted aircraft

A remotely piloted aircraft shall be operated in such a manner as to minimize hazards to persons, property or other aircraft and in accordance with the conditions specified in Appendix 4.



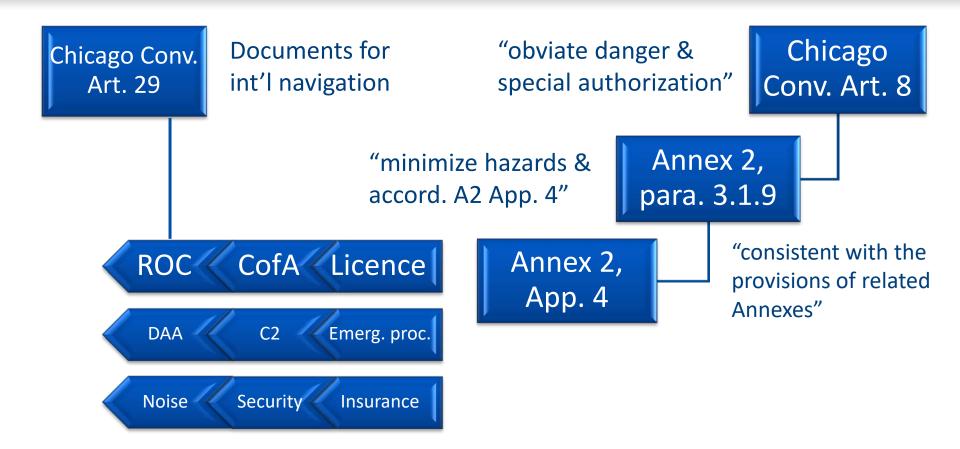


# Annex 2 (Appendix 4) to the Chicago Convention

- 2.1 An RPAS shall be approved, taking into account the interdependencies of the components, in accordance with national regulations and in a manner that is consistent with the provisions of related Annexes. In addition:
  - an RPA shall have a certificate of airworthiness issued in accordance with national regulations and in a manner that
    is consistent with the provisions of Annex 8; and
  - b) the associated RPAS components specified in the type design shall be certificated and maintained in accordance with national regulations and in a manner that is consistent with the provisions of related Annexes.
- 2.2 An operator shall have an RPAS operator certificate issued in accordance with national regulations and in a manner that is consistent with the provisions of Annex 6.
- 2.3 Remote pilots shall be licensed, or have their licences rendered valid, in accordance with national regulations and in a manner that is consistent with the provisions of Annex 1.

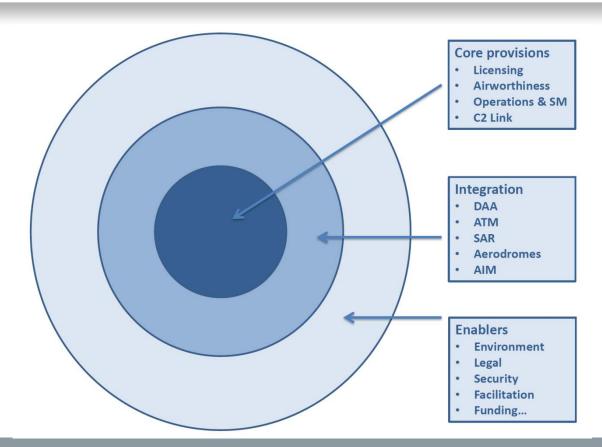


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### ICAO's layered approach



 Core provisions for international air navigation

 Key requisites for safe integration

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# How is ICAO doing it?

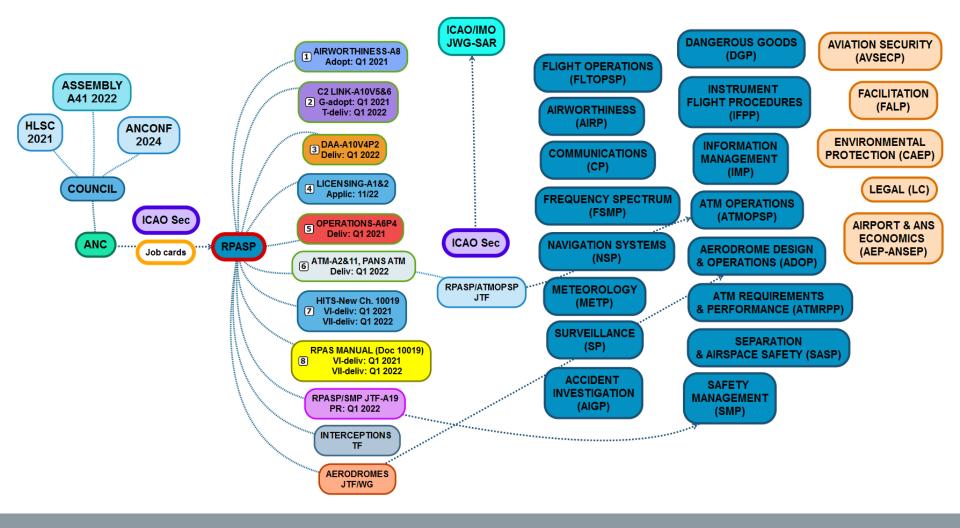
- ICAO RPAS Panel brings together regulators and industry
- 26 States from all 6 regions, ensuring geographical representation and diversity of points of views/development stages
- Major aviation industry organizations: IATA, ACI, CANSO, EUROCONTROL, EASA, IFALPA, IFATCA, IAOPA, RTCA, EUROCAE, NATO, AUVSI, UVSI
- RPAS panel acts as a focal point and coordinator of RPAS work



## **Current** scope of RPAS Panel

- International IFR operations
- Controlled airspace and aerodromes
- Global interoperability
  - RPA to operate alongside manned aircraft, as a predictable, cooperative airspace user: All 19 Annexes affected
  - Priority given to fundamentals to initiate international operations
    - » Remote pilot licence adopted March 2018
    - » Certificate of airworthiness adoption Q1 2021
    - » C2 Link adoption Q1 2021
    - » RPAS operator certificate delivery Q1 2021







### **ICAO RPAS Timelines**

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Licensing			Applicable				
Airworthiness		Effective					Applicable
C2 Link (gen.)		Effective					Applicable
Operations					Effective		Applicable
Safety management					Effective		Applicable
C2 Link (techn.)						Effective	Applicable
DAA						Effective	Applicable
ATM						Effective	Applicable
Other prov.	Meteorology, Charts, Facilitation, Accident investigation, Aerodromes, AIM, Environment, Security, Dangerous Goods						



#### **Key RPAS documents and resources**

- Manual on Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems (Doc 10019), being updated
- RPASP (secure portal)
- RPASP timelines, being updated
- ICAO Unmanned Aviation web page www.icao.int/safety/UA
  - RPAS CONOPS for International IFR Operations
  - Model UAS Regulations
  - U-AID
  - UAS Toolkit
  - UTM guidance
  - ICAO Webinars



**Accident investigation** 

**RPAS** 

Registration

Licensing

C2 Link

**Operations** 

**Detect and avoid** 

**Airworthiness** 

Annex 2, App. 4

Annex 7 (2.2 & 2.3)

AN 12/1.1.23-18/11

AN-WP/9439

AN-WP/9440

RPASP/16-WP/6

RPASP/16-WP/7

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Annex 2, App. 4

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Annex 13

Annex 8

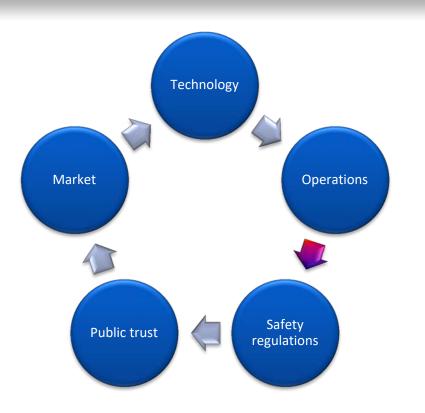
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#### SAFETY Accelerating pace of technology development



#### **The Innovation Cycle:**

- Technology enables new operations (use cases)
- Operations require regulatory development (data-driven, evidence-based)
- Safety creates public confidence (trust)
- **4. Public confidence** allows market expansion (investments)
- 5. Investments support technology advancements (R&D)



#### Conclusion



The challenge of integrating unmanned aircraft into the aviation system requires:

- **technical** expertise
- intergovernmental framework
- global geographic coverage
- regulators & industry cooperation









