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## NACC HUMANITARIAN AVIATION SAFETY CAMPAIGN

Joint Initiative between World Food Programme, ICAO, ACI-LAC, IATA and United States (FAA)



# Introduction

- ✈ Humanitarian aviation is vital for delivering aid to remote, crisis-affected regions.
- ✈ Operations often take place in challenging environments: conflict zones, natural disasters, and rugged terrain.
- ✈ Ensuring safety is critical to protect crews, passengers, and cargo.

## What is the Humanitarian Aviation Safety Campaign?

- ✈ A joint initiative lead by WFP and other organizations/ States aimed at enhancing operational safety in humanitarian aviation.
- ✈ Focus areas: training, awareness, risk evaluation, and standardization.

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## Main Objectives

- ✈ 1. Reduce accidents and incidents in humanitarian air operations.
- ✈ 2. Promote a safety culture among humanitarian stakeholders and air operators.
- ✈ 3. Ensure compliance with international aviation standards.
- ✈ 4. Facilitate sharing of best practices and lessons learned.

**NACC HUMANITARIAN AVIATION SAFETY CAMPAIGN:** improve the Central America and Caribbean Region States emergency and disaster response with the focus on being Better Prepared for Humanitarian Assistance and Response to Disasters as well as promoting the Importance of Regional Cooperation on Time of Crises.

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## Key Stakeholders

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- ICAO: Sets global aviation standards.
- IATA, ACI-LAC: supporting entities
- NGOs, governments, local air operators: Operational partners.
- Civil aviation authorities in affected countries.

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- Safety bulletins and alerts.
- Technical assessments of air operators.
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## Achievements

- Decrease in safety incidents in humanitarian missions.
- Enhanced coordination between regulators and operators.
- Increased professionalism and training among crews.
- Implementation of 'just culture' and voluntary reporting mechanisms.

- Different multiples stake holders
- Limited infrastructure in crisis zones.
- Lack of reliable safety data.
- Limited resources
- Timely coordinate use of resources
- Diverse standards and procedures among partners.
- Operational pressures during emergency response.

## Ongoing Challenges



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## Impact:

- The campaign is critical for protecting lives and ensuring mission success.
- International collaboration is essential for sustainable safety practices.
- Aviation safety is fundamental to effective humanitarian response.





NACC Regional Office's timely response to the COVID-19 crisis and the challenges faced by the region to deliver and implement the ICAO targets and goals.

The crucial need to establish an effective communication between all stakeholders, which highlights the need for regional cooperation in times of crisis as a way forward.

The impact of the pandemic on the humanitarian aviation and how to cope with the adverse effect of its implications from various aspects.

Addressing the unrivalled implication of the Pandemics and the showcasing some of the best practices for Business Continuity during the pandemic

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### ***AREA 1: Better Prepared for Humanitarian Assistance and Response to Disasters***

The role of aviation in humanitarian food assistance, Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Response in Aviation (HADRA) – Guidance Material, Operational IATA Command Center – Enabling operation preparations and response

Airport Emergency preparedness during a disaster, Disaster preparedness and operation recovery – airport perspective, Disaster preparedness and operation from ground handler perspective

### ***AREA 2: Regional Cooperation on time of Crises***

Getting Airport Ready for Disasters – GARD, Public Private Partnership cooperation on disaster preparedness, Strengthen Foundation Aspects of Aerodrome Preparedness

CADENA: Contingency Planning and Response, Preparedness and Assistance – Contingency and Crisis Management in the CAR Region

- Reduce safety risks associated with humanitarian aviation operations;
- Promote awareness of climate change mitigation and adaptation and aviation safety initiatives; and,
- Improve preparation among the region in the wake of emergency response and ensure a safe operating environment for disaster response operations.

Multi-faceted approach, effectively raising awareness about the environmental activities and its implications on contingency and recovery actions as well as the criticality of having effective emergency response planning program in parallel to efficient regional and local cooperation on time of crises to be better prepared for Humanitarian Assistance and Response to Disasters.

Area 1 - Climate Change Impact and Resiliency

Area 2 - Aviation Infrastructure and Resiliency Efforts

Area 3: Planning and Preparing for Response to Natural Disasters



## Sixth North American, Central American, and Caribbean (NACC) Humanitarian Aviation Safety Campaign 11

IATA Regional Office, Miami, United States, 22 to 24 July 2025

Will address several crisis/ contingency aspects, from airport emergency plans, crisis management collaboration, resilience and recovery, coordination for humanitarian assistance, and Humanitarian aviation applications and tools

This new campaign shall address some specific areas of interest, such as:

- a) Operation in remote/dangerous areas
- b) Cargo operation information
- c) ERP's involving the ANSP's.
- d) Seek ways on how to partner with the actual service providers
- e) Safety while managing a disaster
- f) Desktop exercises / case studies running an emergency
- g) Practical applications and partnership efforts
- h) More Table-top exercise -More table tops and visit to full scale practice

i) Resilience aspects to follow when emergency occurred

j) Airport Emergency Plan

k) Examples of hurricane policies that other countries implemented

l) Public health emergencies

m) Detailed procedures about emergency response - Emergency Response in critical where it would be necessary a whole "humanitarian response" considering states where no sufficient resources are available

**To establish a Contingency-Crisis Management/ Humanitarian Aviation Campaign Committee.**



Thank You!