



# Air/Ground Communication Implementation Progress Report

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# PURPOSE

- Provides the progress made by the IIM SG COM 3 Air/Ground Communication project
- Elaborates the achievements, challenges encountered by the team and possible recommendations.



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# INTRODUCTION

1. Recommended as Communication project to assist with the implementation of Air/Ground communication aimed at ensuring Air Traffic Control within AFI region through :
  - High Frequency/Very High Frequency (**HF/VHF**) voice Communication;
  - High Frequency/Very High Frequency Data link communication (**HF/VHF DL**); and
  - Controller/Pilot Data Link Communication (**CPDLC**).
2. Tasks are carried out by COM/ IT experts nominated by AFI States, led by the Project-Team Coordinator and under the supervision of the Project Facilitators (ROs/CNS, Dakar and Nairobi) through the IIM SG working methodology



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### HF/VHF Voice

The requirements is contained in the AFI Air Navigation Plan (ANP), FASID TABLE CNS 2A (Aeronautical Mobile Service and Aeronautical Mobile Satellite service-AMS

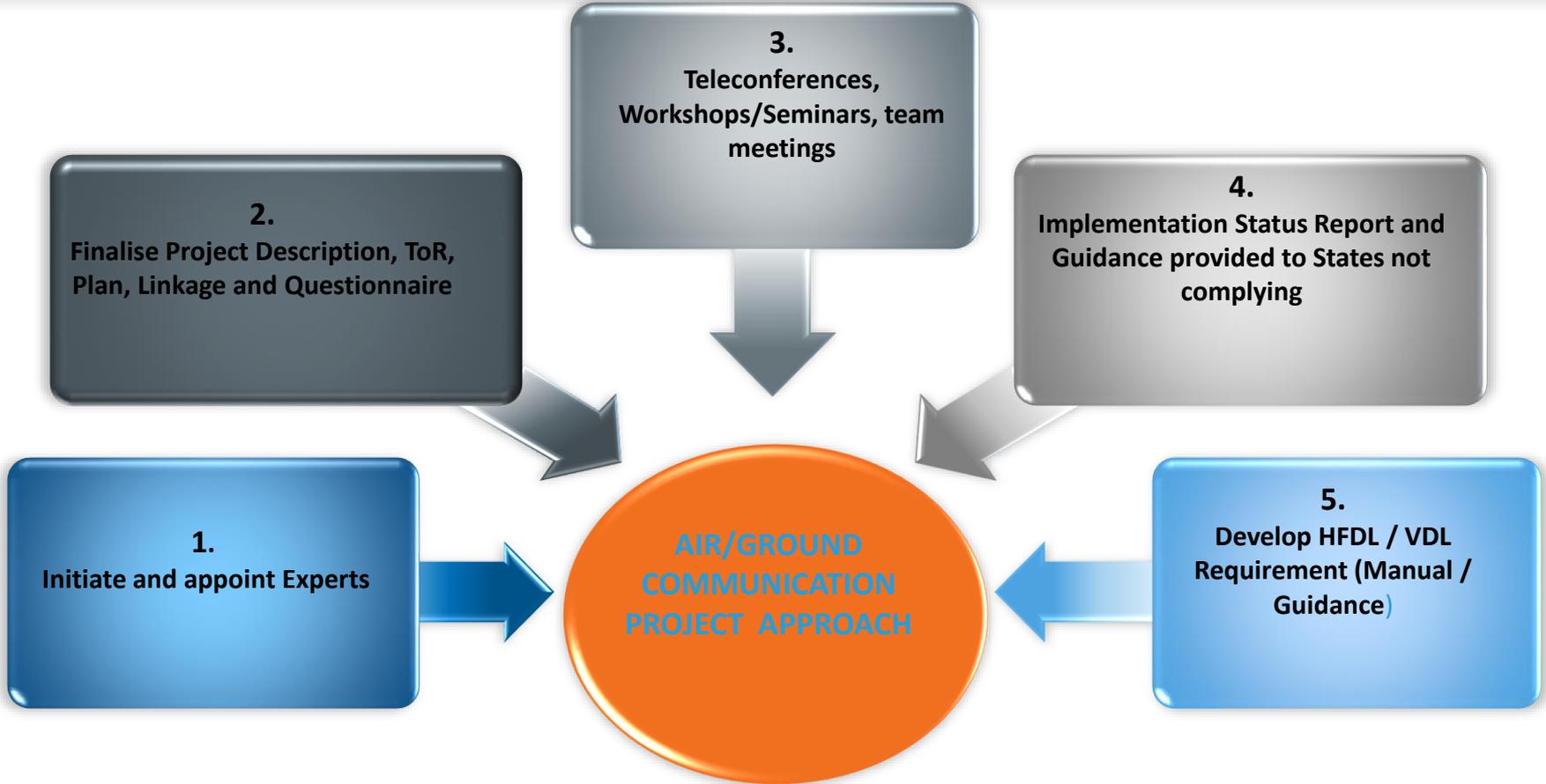
**CPDLC:** Associated with surveillance data processing systems with possible automation of the transfer and coordination of Air Traffic between air traffic Centres (AIDC)

### HF/VHF and Data Link

**RATIONALE/  
JUSTIFICATION**



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# PROJECT STATUS

1. Initiate and appoint Experts
2. Project Description, ToR, Plan, Linkage and Questionnaire

Quarterly – AFI States  
Air/Ground Implementation  
Survey and Status Reports  
until 31 March 2022

Develop HF DL / VDL  
Requirement (Manual  
/ Guidance



2018

2018-2022

2019-2022

2021-2022

2022

Teleconferences,  
Workshops, Seminars or  
Team meetings until  
31 March 2022

Guidance provided to  
States not complying

Completed

Started

Not started



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# 1. PROJECT QUESTIONNAIRE AND STATE RESPONSES

- ⑩ Will allow the team to track and report the AFI Air/Ground communication Implementation status
- ⑩ ICAO to distribute the project questionnaire survey
- ⑩ State respond on or before 31 March 2021

# CHALLENGES

# 2. PROJECT TEAM PARTICIPATION

- ⑩ Some of the identified experts are no longer available to assist with project deliverables
- ⑩ States experts to be verified; confirm their availability and validity of the experts on or before 31 March 2021



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## 3. PROGRAMME MANAGEMENT

- ⑩ Project success dependent on the project management to track participation, commitment, identify issues, risks and mitigation plans.
- ⑩ Develop an AFI IIM Sub-Group Project master schedule/plan.
- ⑩ Project progress report disseminated to Administrations/Organizations on a Quarterly basis.

# CHALLENGES



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# OUTLOOK - NEXT PERIOD REPORT

- Project baseline questionnaire survey sent to AFI States by 30 November 2020;
- Commence with project questionnaire analysis until 31 July 2021;
- Submit project progress meeting and reports; and
- Draft HF DL and VHF DL States Requirement Manual / Guidance Framework.



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# MEETING ACTION

The meeting is invited to:

- Take note of the progress made so far regarding the IIMSG Communication Project 3 deliverables and challenges;
- Encourage State participation in the AFI Region Projects; and
- Request the projects Coordinators to finalise Questionnaires of the IIM Sub-group projects for dissemination to Administrations/Organizations.



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# DRACT CONCLUSION

**Effective and efficient participation/coordination of Administrations in the IIM Projects activities**

**That;**

1. States verify the participation of its qualified experts by 31 March 2021;
2. Secretariat to distribute the project questionnaire survey and State respond on or before 31 March 2021; and
3. Secretariat to develop the AFI State master schedule/plan to track all the IIM Projects activities; and progress report disseminated to Administrations/Organizations on a Quarterly basis.



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