

Building Effective Safety Oversight of AIS and AIM



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Day 4: AIS Oversight



Objectives

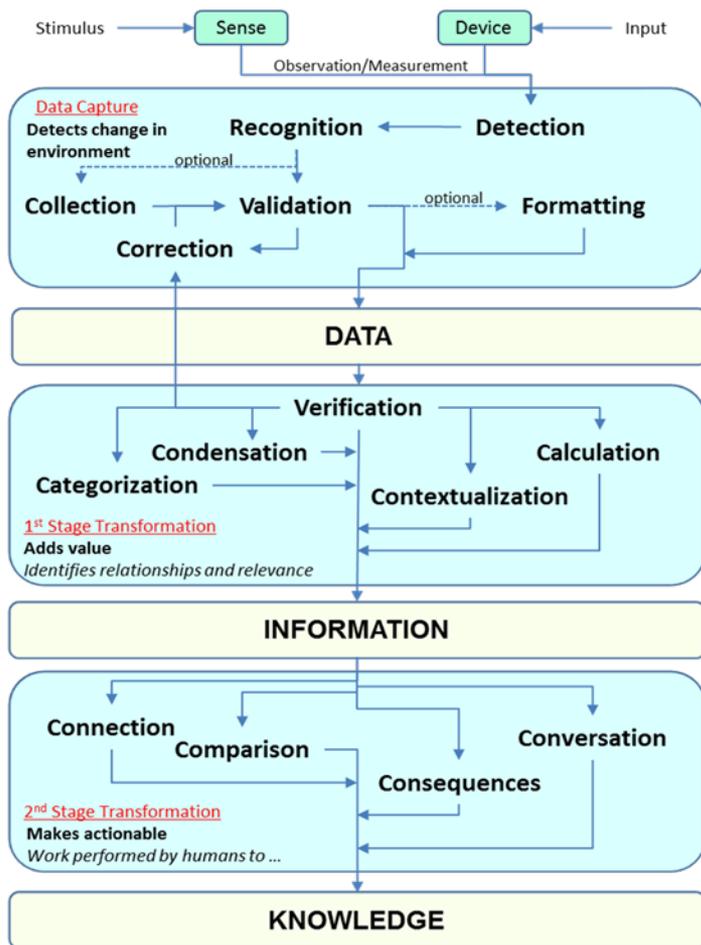
Recap Day 3

- Data, information and knowledge
- AIS information factory
- QMS
- Linking AIS and QMS activities
- Production management review



Introduce today's topics...

Data, Information and Knowledge Review



Data Management is about management of data elements

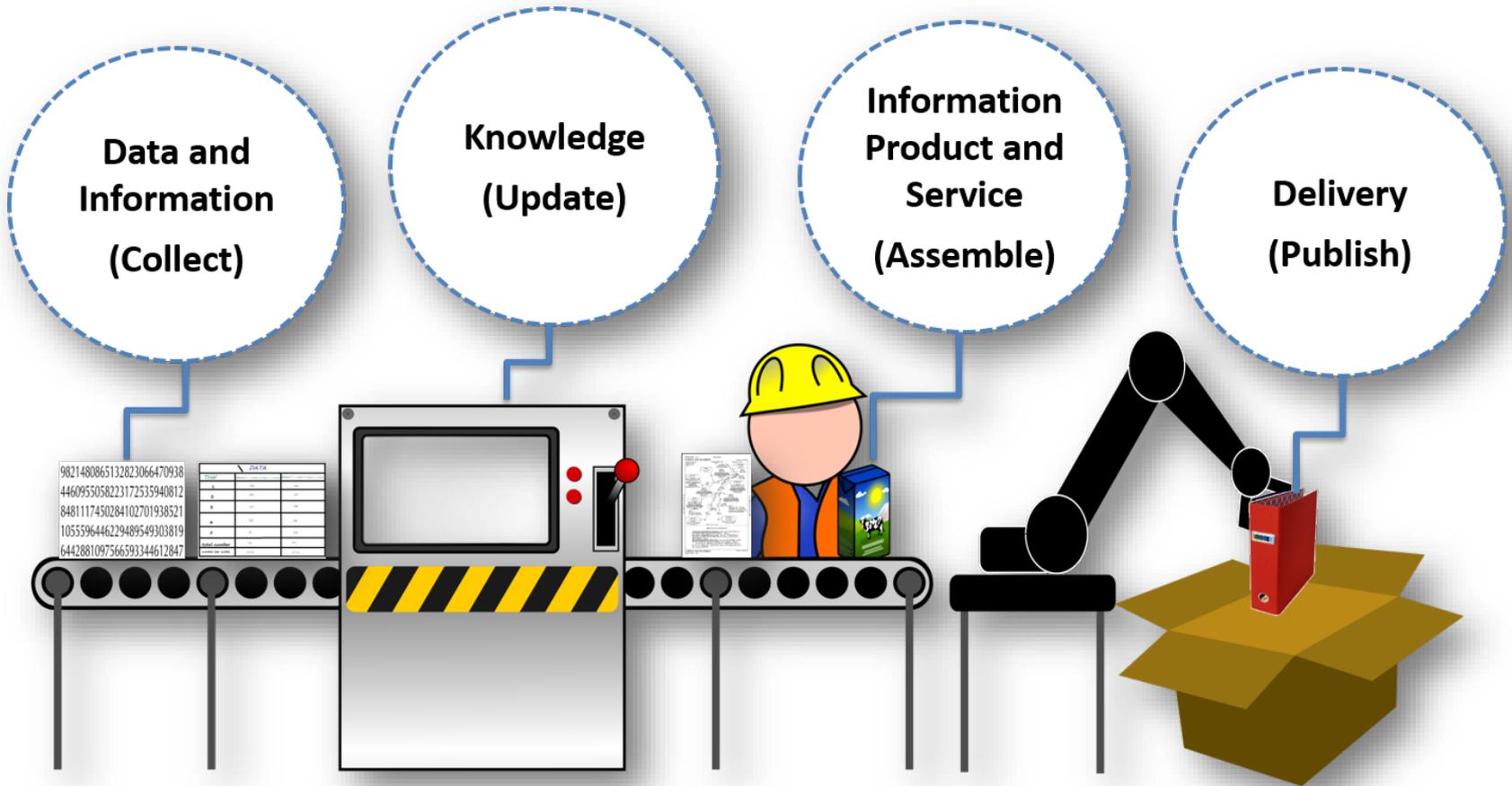


Information Management is about managing the value chain to create context to data



Knowledge Management is about managing the relationship between information and **actions**

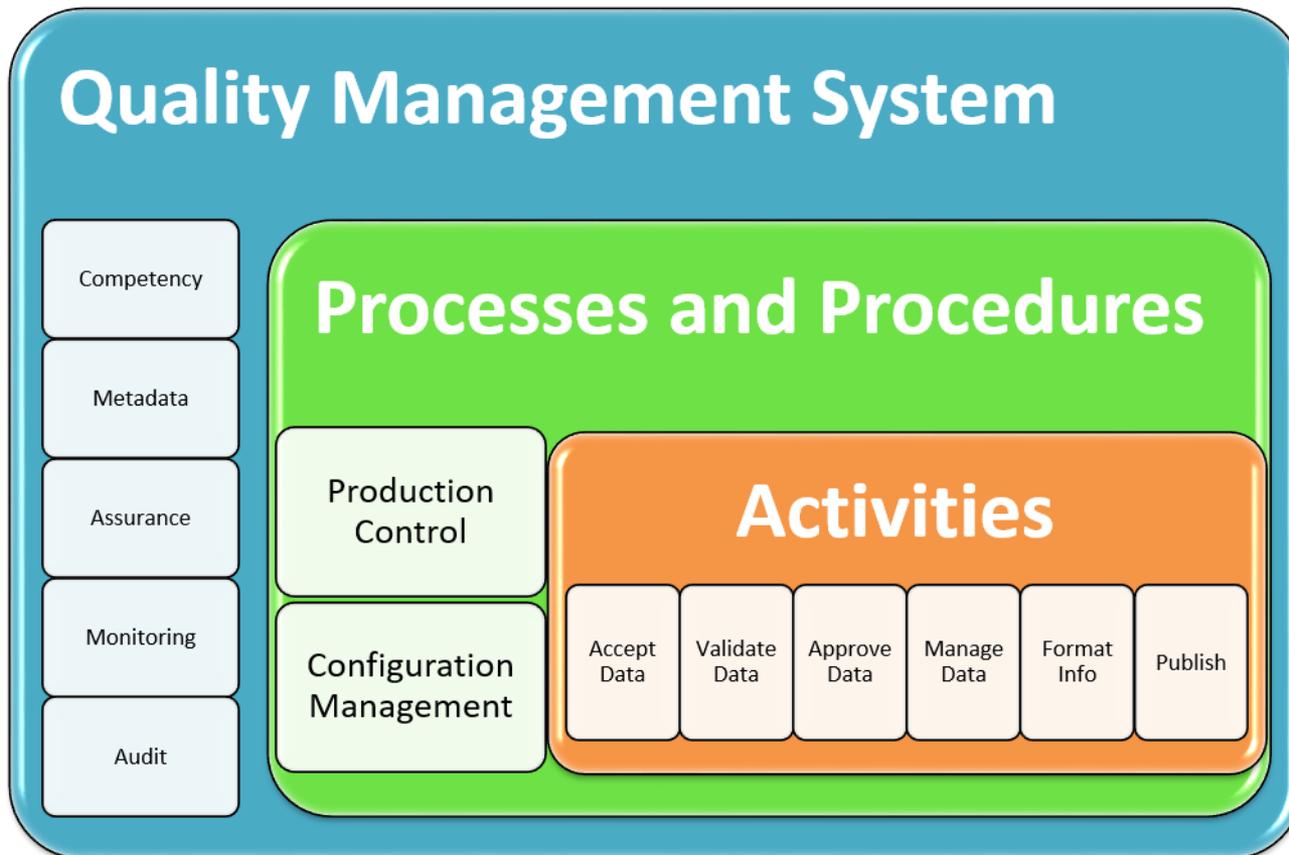
AIS Information Factory Review



QMS Review



Linking QMS and AIS Activities Review



Production Management Review

Information Hazards

- Incorrect Data
- Incomplete Data
- Unsynchronized Data
- Untimely Data
- Data Availability
- Unprotected

Production Control

- Management of the production workflow to coordinate the configuration management of deliverables or outcomes

Configuration Management

- Management of changes to a system (data, products, services) to ensure the performance requirements of the system are maintained

Day 4 Agenda



- Identify the Critical Elements
- Review Universal Safety Oversight Audit Program (USOAP)
- AIP audit exercise
- Validation of observations exercise
- Develop a surveillance strategy



Thoughts or Questions?



Critical Elements and Safety Oversight of AIS/AIM

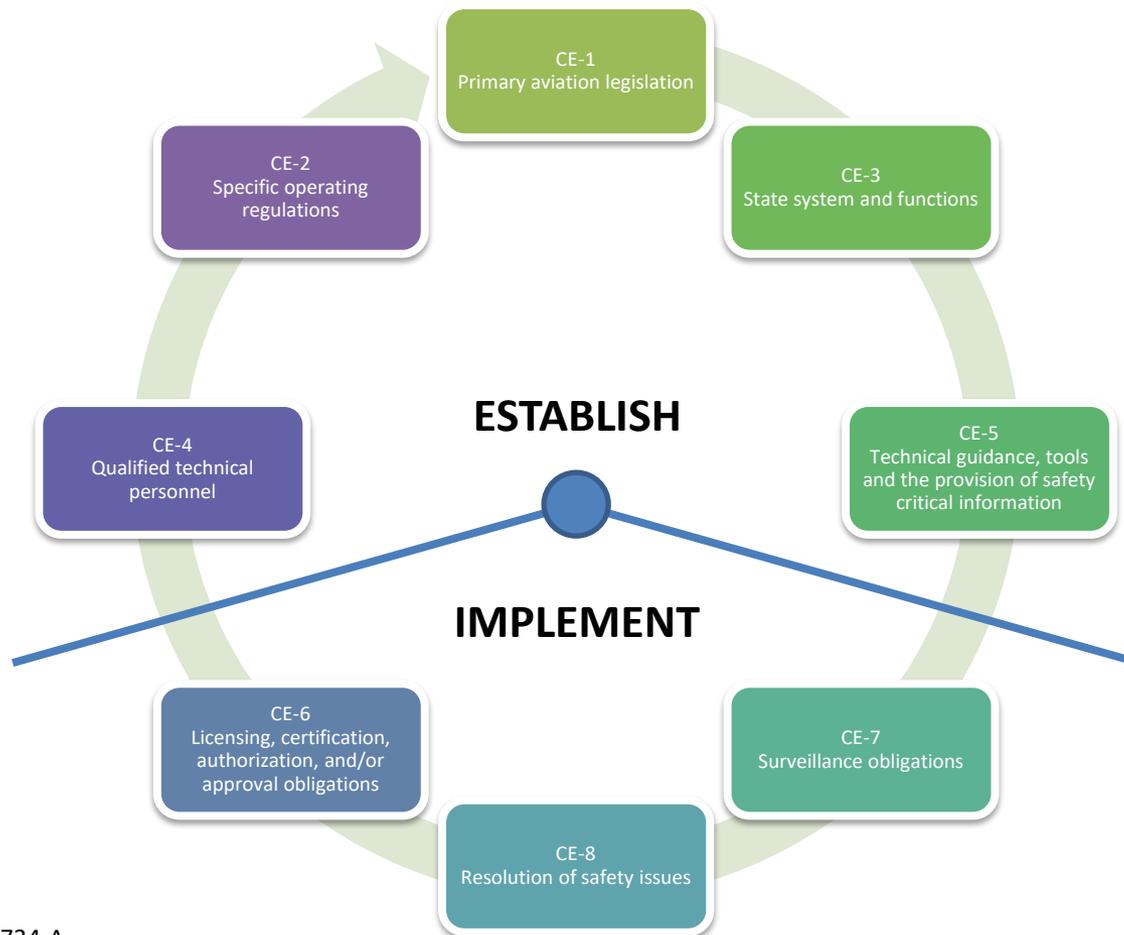


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Applying the Universal Safety Oversight Audit Programme Critical Elements to the Safety Oversight of AIS/AIM

Critical Elements (CEs) of a State's Safety Oversight System



Source: ICAO Annex 19 and Doc 9734-A

Critical Element 1

Primary Aviation Legislation

- Primary aviation legislation should establish an safety oversight organization independent from air navigation service providers (ANSPs)
- AIS is one domain within the safety oversight organization that provides oversight of the management and delivery of aeronautical information products and services, throughout the lifecycle from collection of data elements to distribution of information products, ensuring the performance and safety requirements of the aeronautical community are met

Critical Element 2

Specific Operating Regulations

ICAO has developed Sample Civil Aviation Regulations for Air Navigation Services, which address the following:

- Air Traffic Services
 - Safety Management Systems
 - Instrument Flight Procedure Design Service
 - **Aeronautical Information Services**
 - Aeronautical Telecommunication
 - Aeronautical Meteorology Services
- The Sample Regulations are based on ICAO Standards
 - Aeronautical data and AIS requirements in Parts 11.3 and 11.4

Critical Element 3

State Aviation System and Safety Oversight Functions

- Consider size and complexity of aviation activity in the safety oversight organization structure
- Structure the organization around essential responsibilities
- Review ANSP organization to assist in designing the oversight authority's organization structure
- Leverage regional and bilateral relationships with other oversight authorities
- Ensure safety inspectors are certified
- The AIS safety oversight organization surveilles the ANSP/AIS organization to ensure compliance with the applicable requirements

Critical Element 4

Qualified Technical Personnel and Training

- Hire experienced technical experts and train them to become safety professionals
- Develop a comprehensive training program
- Provide for career progression (develop future leaders)
- The AIS safety oversight organization and the ANSP/AIS organization both maintain qualified, experienced, and competent technical personnel

Critical Element 5

Technical Guidance, Tools and Provision of Safety Critical Information

- Develop technical guidance and tools for safety oversight personnel
- Use Standard Operating Procedures to standardize safety oversight, compliance, and licensing functions within an organization
- The regulatory authority must ensure that AIS/AIM safety oversight personnel understand their duties as well as the responsibilities associated with specific roles within the organization

Critical Element 6

Licensing, Certification, Authorization and Approval Obligations

- Establish a licensing program for personnel providing safety-related services
- Distinguish between high, medium, and low-risk activities
- Certification of AIS personnel
- The certification ensures AIS practitioners demonstrate proficiency in a common set of competencies



Critical Element 7

Surveillance Obligations

- Develop a continuous surveillance program to ensure that the standards of a service provider's capability and competence are equal to or exceed those required at the time of original certification (the baseline)
- Surveillance
 - Collect data about ANSP/AIS operation
- Analysis
 - Review data to measure the degree of compliance with requirements and processes

Critical Element 8

Resolution of Safety Concerns

Prioritize compliance activities according to risk and take enforcement action

when necessary

Encourage a safety culture in the oversight authority and service providers

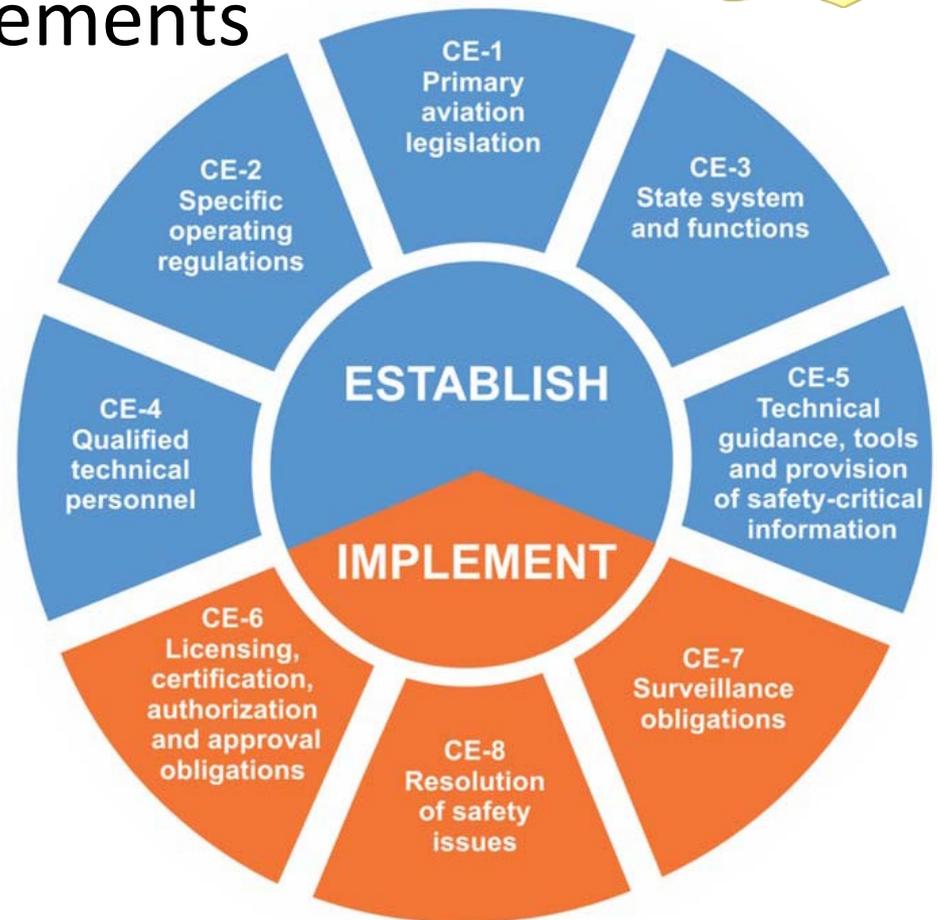
Corrective Action

- AIS develops, implements, and monitors corrective actions to identified deficiencies as a result of surveillance and analysis
- Follow-Up
 - The regulatory authority must ensure that service providers resolve compliance and safety issues in a thorough and timely manner

Thoughts...



Each of the Critical Elements



Questions and Discussion



References

- ICAO Annex 19
- ICAO Safety Oversight Manual, Doc 9734-A
- ICAO Sample Civil Aviation Regulations for Air Navigation Services (ANS), 11.3 and 11.4
- FAA Order 1100.161, Air Traffic Safety Oversight



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Air Traffic Safety Oversight



ICAO Introduction to Universal Safety Oversight Audit
Programme (USOAP)

ICAO's Universal Safety Oversight Audit Programme (USOAP)

- ICAO's Universal Safety Oversight Audit Programme (USOAP) was initially launched in January 1999, in response to widespread concerns about the adequacy of aviation safety oversight around the world.
- USOAP audits focus on a State's capability in providing safety oversight by assessing whether the State has effectively and consistently implemented the critical elements (CEs) of a safety oversight system.
- U.S.'s USOAP was performed in 2007 with an overall score of 94%.

ICAO USOAP Activities

- The USOAP Continuous Monitoring Approach (CMA) includes:
 - State Self-Assessments
 - Audits – determine compliance with ICAO SARPs
 - ICAO Coordinated Validation Missions
 - Validate State corrective actions
 - State support for USOAP Audit activities



USOAP CMA Audit Areas

Primary aviation legislation and civil aviation regulations (LEG)

Civil aviation organization (ORG)

Personnel licensing and training (PEL)
Annexes 1 and 19

Aircraft operations (OPS)
Annexes 6, 9, 18, 19 and PANS-OPS

Airworthiness of aircraft (AIR)
Annexes 6, 7, 8, 16 and 19

Aircraft accident and incident investigation (AIG)
Annexes 13 and 19

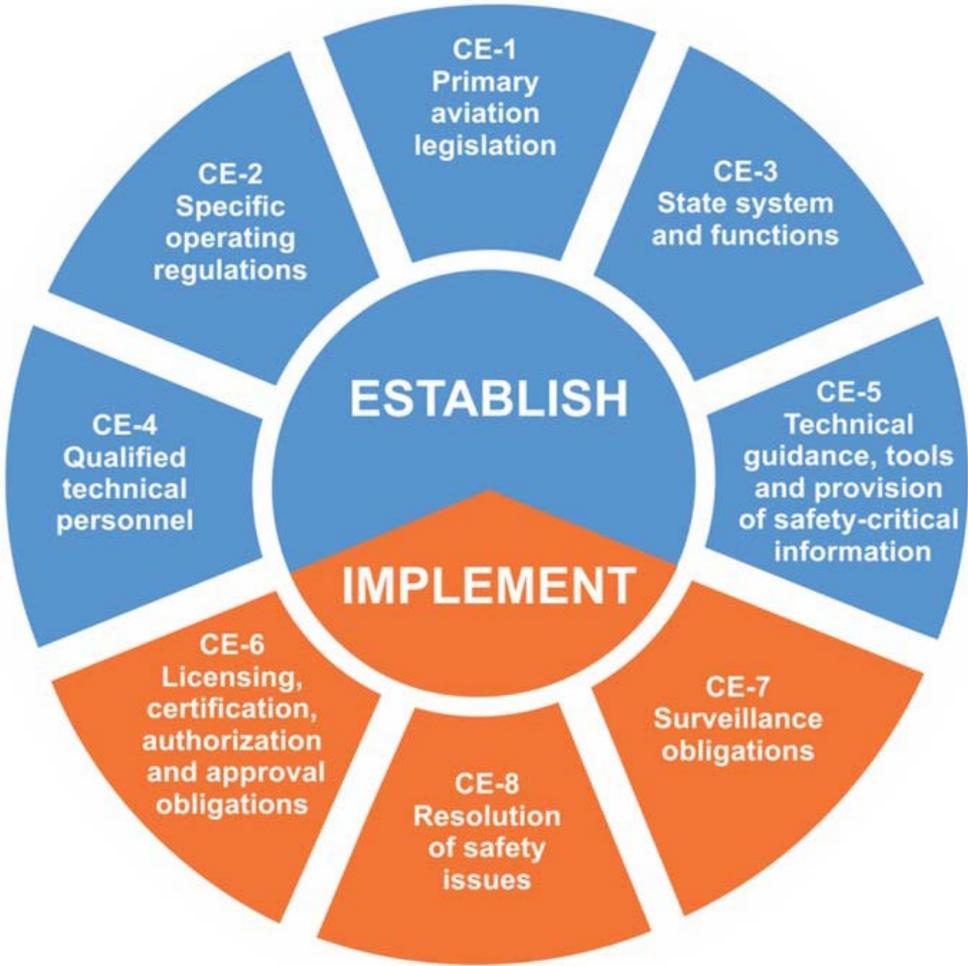
Air navigation services (ANS)
Annexes 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 12, 15, 19 and PANS-ATM

Aerodromes and ground aids (AGA)
Annexes 14 and 19

USOAP Protocol Questions (PQs)

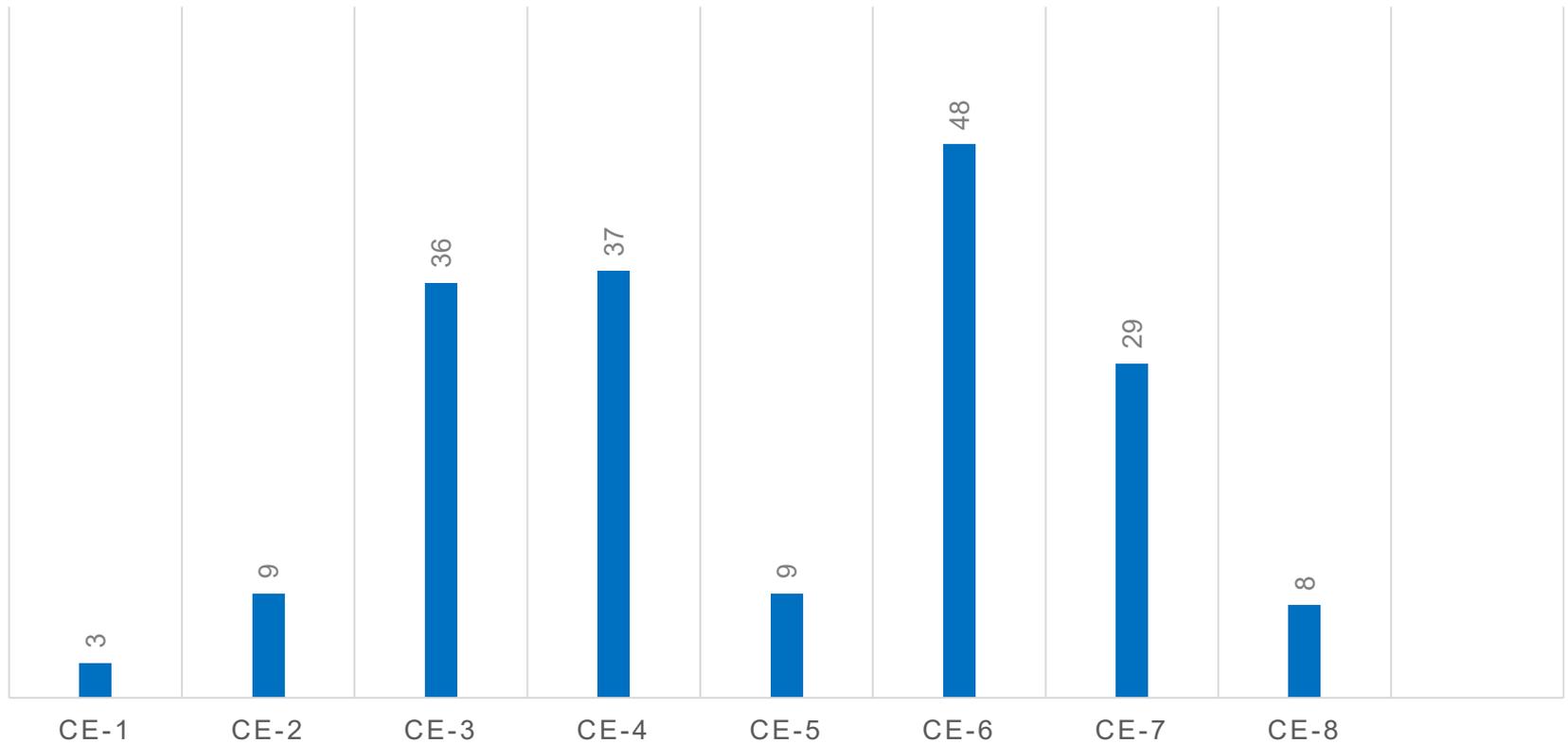
- PQs are the main tool used during ICAO USOAP CMA audits and continuous monitoring to assess a State's safety oversight capability
- Each PQ is linked to one of the USOAP Critical Elements

ICAO's Eight Critical Elements



ANS PQs by Critical Elements (CEs)

NO. OF PQS 179



ANS Oversight Required by ICAO

- Air traffic control services
- Safety personnel (air traffic controllers)
- Flight procedures and flight inspection
- Communication, Navigation, and Surveillance services (CNS)
- Aeronautical telecommunication services
- Meteorological services (MET)
- **Aeronautical information services and Aeronautical information management (AIS/AIM)**
- **Cartographic services**
- Search and rescue (SAR)

ICAO Safety Oversight Responsibilities

ICAO State Safety Oversight Manual (Doc 9734 Part A)



What is Safety Oversight?

The process of ensuring that aviation professionals (such as air traffic controllers, engineering/electronics personnel, and others) perform their functions *safely* and *responsibly*

Effective implementation of international Standards and Recommended Practices and associated procedures

Reference: ICAO Safety Oversight Manual (Doc 9734, Part A)

Essential Responsibilities

- ✓ Establish rules
- ✓ Perform surveillance
- ✓ Resolve safety concerns

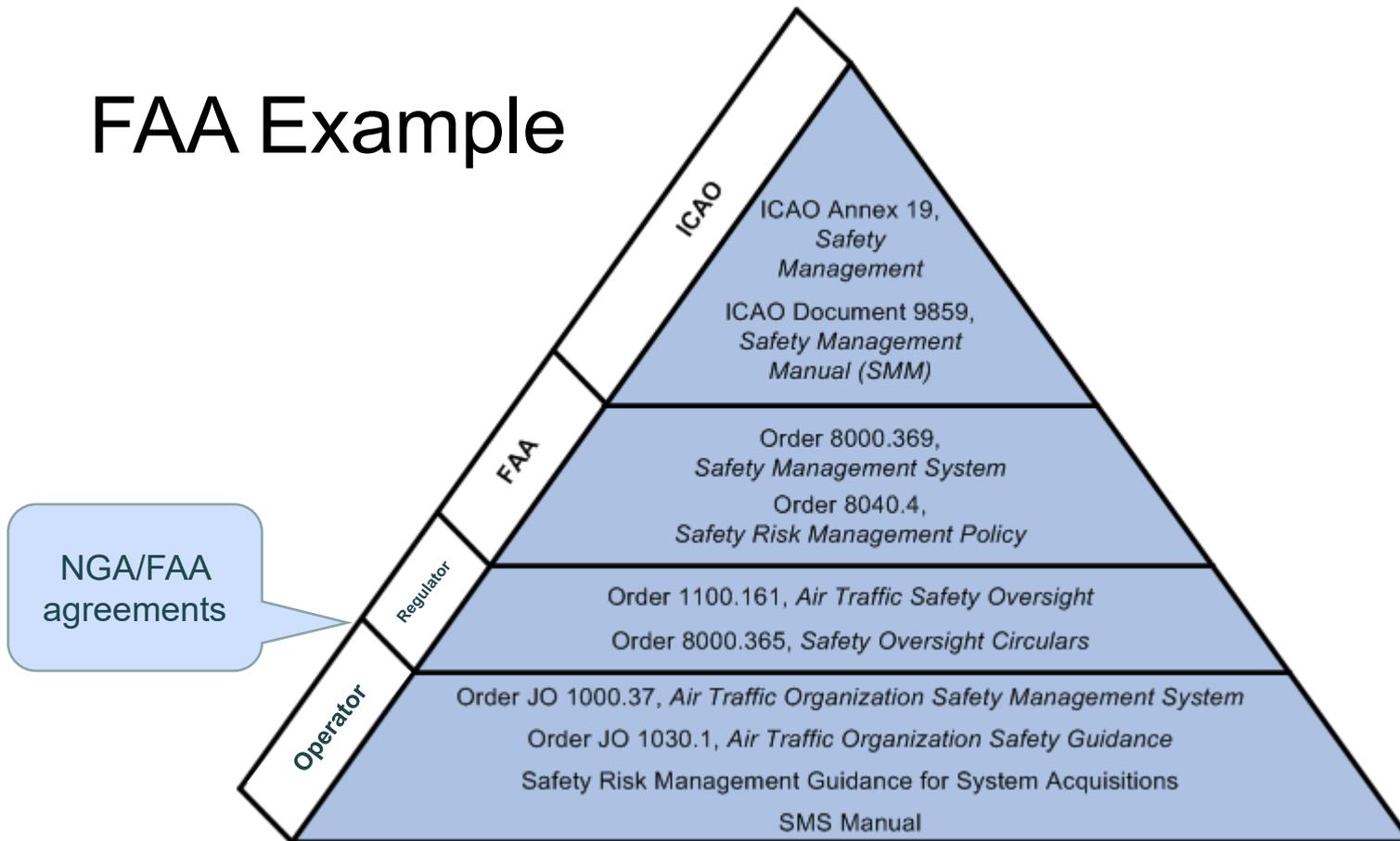


Basic ICAO Safety Oversight Activities

- Issuing licenses and approvals
- Surveillance
 - Monitoring
 - Investigations
 - Audits/Inspections
 - Assessments/Evaluations
- Cooperation with other safety services/organizations

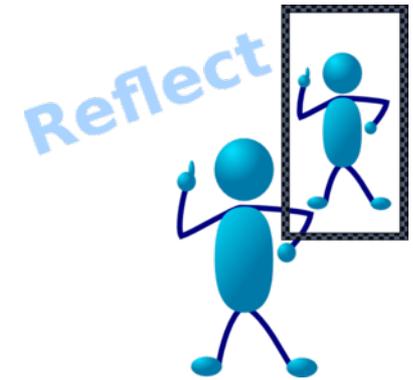
SMS Operating Requirements

FAA Example



Thoughts...

- USOAP
- Activities
- Critical Elements
- SMS and Surveillance



Questions and Discussion



References

- ICAO Annex 19, Safety Management
- ICAO Safety Oversight Manual (Doc 9734, part A)
- ICAO Safety Management Manual (Doc 9859)





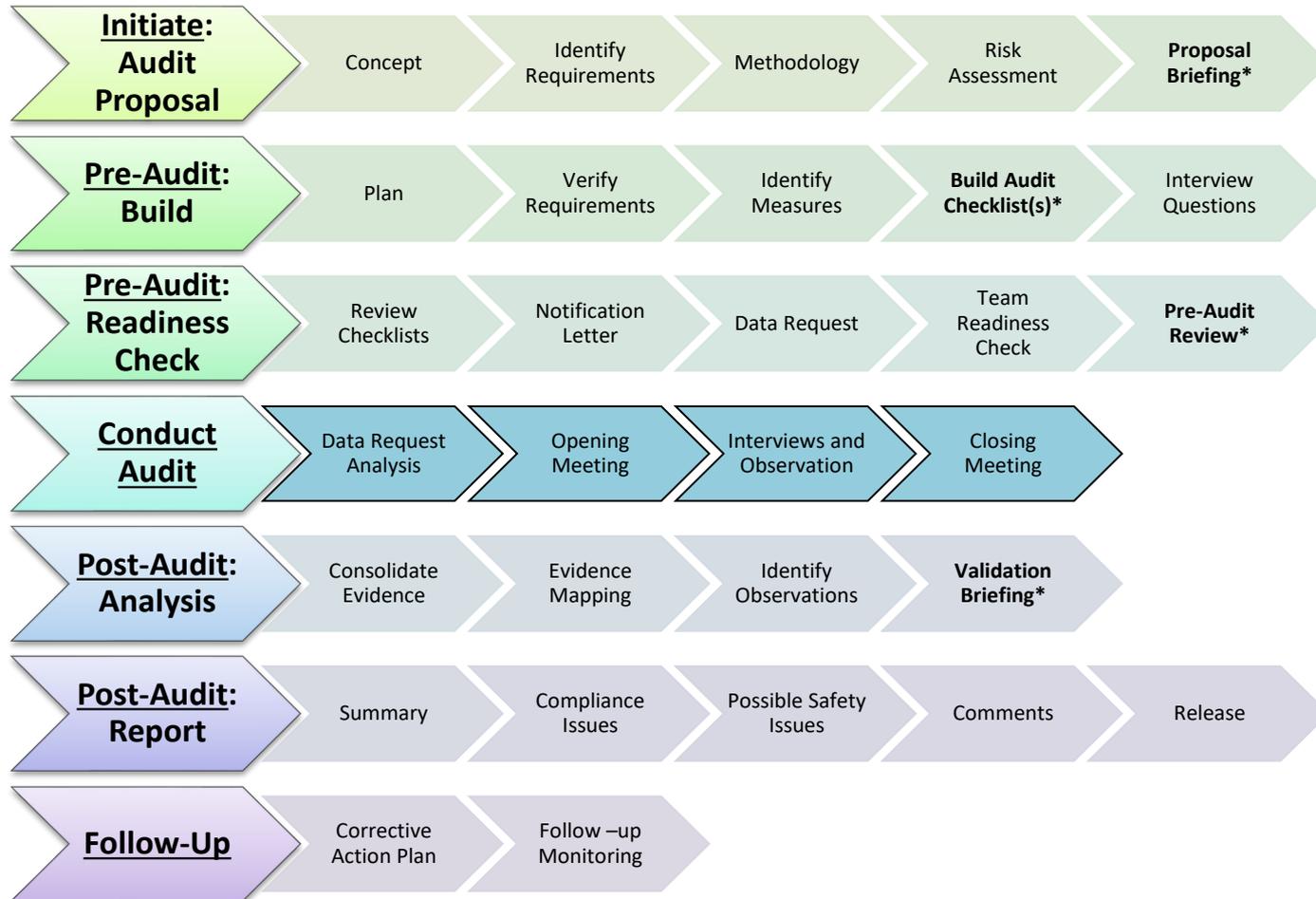
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Workshop Exercise #4



Audit the AIP

Developing an AIS/AIM Audit



How many red jellybeans do you see?



Pre-Audit Review



- Does management agree with the audit objective and scope?
- Does the checklist reflect the objective and scope?
- Does the team understand what they are looking for?
 - What evidence is needed?
 - Will you know if something is incorrect or missing?

Conduct the Audit: Data Collection

- Interviews
- Observations
- Records/documentation review



Tips for Successful Audits

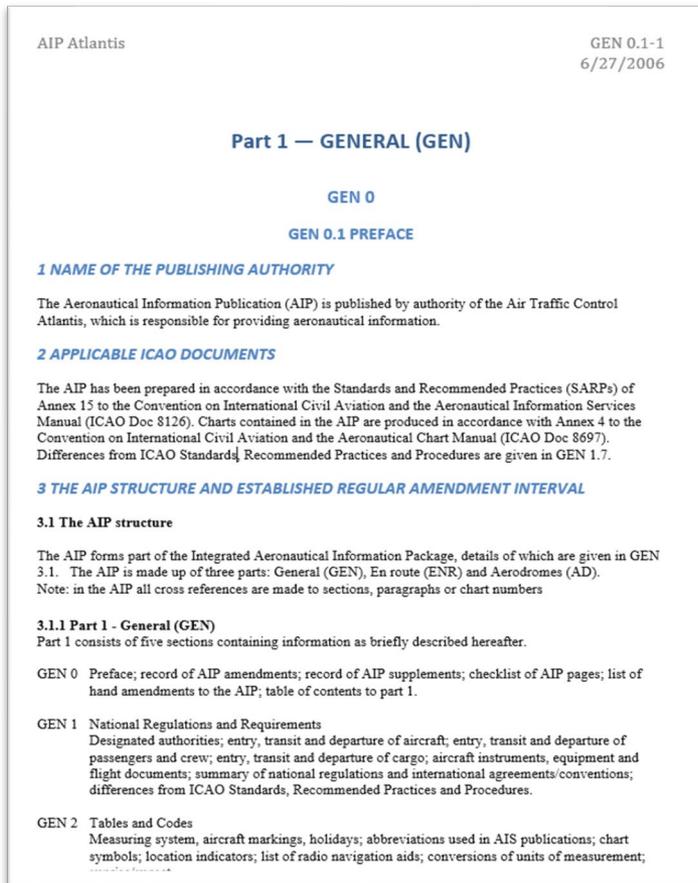
- Remember: your focus as auditors is to look for evidence
- Always verify your data/observations
- Keep thorough records of what you observed or reviewed – use checklists and data sheets
- Analyze and review the data/information gathered to determine whether anything is missing
- Protect ANSP/AIS materials and documents



Audit the AIP

EXERCISE

Instructions: Audit the AIP



In your teams:

- Review and update checklist questions as needed
- Access the **Atlantis AIP** files in the **Activities > AIP Audit** folder on the ICAO WACAF website *or* use your State AIP
- Audit the AIP using your team's checklist
 - Record compliance observations and evidence in the checklist



Questions and Discussion





Atlantis ANS Oversight Organization

Validation Briefing

Audit of <insert title>

Presented to: <Audience>

By: <Presenter's Name, Title>

Date: <Date>

Introduction

- * Background
 - * <Provide description of the audit>
 - * <Identify any pertinent events that may have led the Polar ANS oversight organization to conduct the audit>

Objective and Scope

- * Objective
- * The <insert name of ANS oversight organization> will conduct an audit to determine the <insert name of ANSP/AIS> compliance with <insert audit title> requirements.
- * Scope
 - * The scope of this audit is <insert scope from audit proposal>.

Focus Areas

- * <List the title of each focus area>
 - * <Describe each focus area>

Methodology & Requirements

- * Methodology
 - * <Describe the methods used to conduct the audit, e.g. onsite or desk audit, checklists, interviews, etc.>
- * Requirements
 - * The audit team evaluated <insert name of ANSP/AIS> compliance with the following requirements:
 - * <insert requirement Title and reference>
 - * <insert requirement title and reference>

Proposed Observations of Non-Compliance

- * The audit team documented <insert number> of observations of non-compliance:
 - * <List and describe observations identified during the audit>

Observations of Potential Adverse Safety Impact

- * The audit team documented <insert number> of observations of adverse safety impact:
 - * <List and describe observations identified during the audit>

Proposed Comments

- * The audit team would like to note the following items:
 - * <List positive or other items of note identified during the audit>

Audit Report

- * Audit Report due to <insert name of ANSP/AIS> by <insert date>.

Audit Team

- * Audit Team:
 - * <insert team members' name, title (e.g., Audit Team Lead or Team Member)>



Questions and Discussion



Develop a Surveillance Strategy



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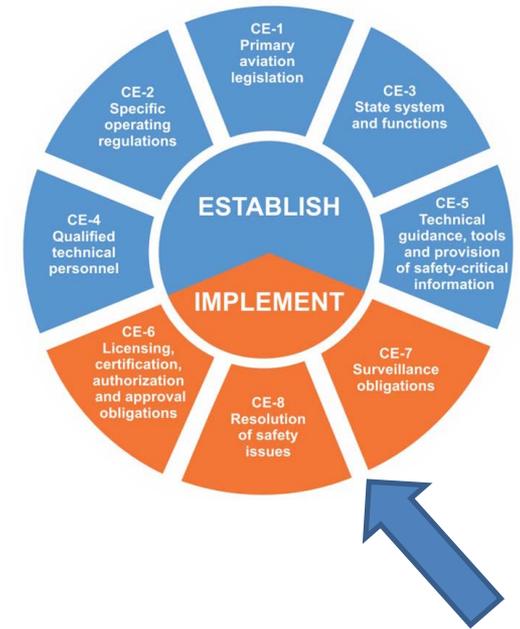


Module Objectives



- Review safety oversight surveillance obligations
- Build a risk-based surveillance program



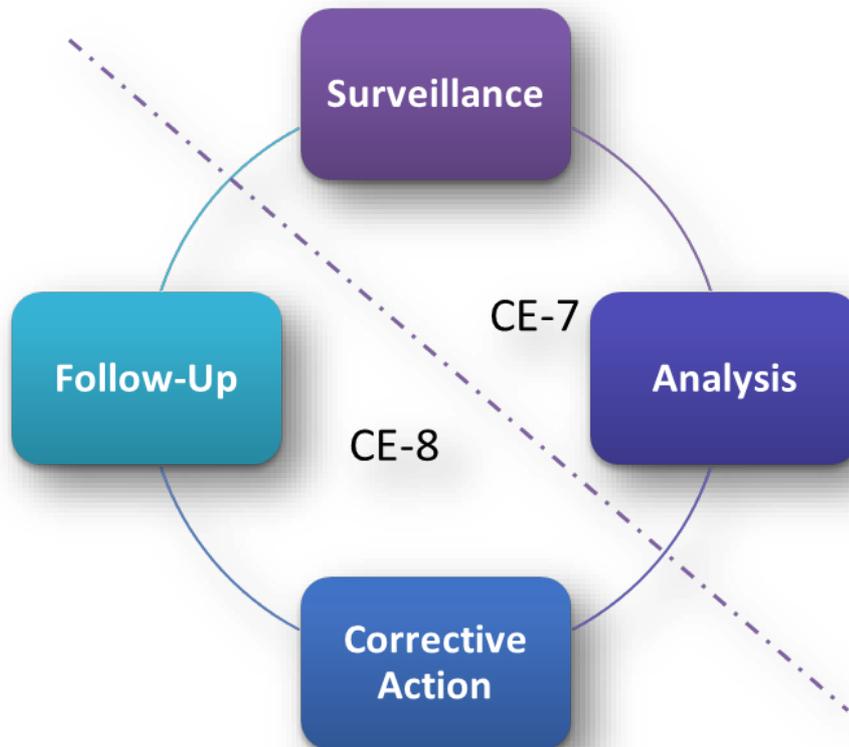


What are we required to do?

A REVIEW OF SAFETY OVERSIGHT SURVEILLANCE OBLIGATIONS

Surveillance Program Components

CEs 7 and 8 Review



CE-7 Surveillance Obligations

1. Collect operational data
2. Analysis
3. Review data to measure the degree of compliance

CE-8 Resolution of Safety Issues

1. Develop, implement, and monitor corrective action(s)
2. Follow-Up
3. Ensure corrective action(s) have been implemented

Source: FAA/DOT Continuing Analysis and Surveillance System (CASS) Description and Models (<http://www.tc.faa.gov/its/worldpac/techrpt/ar03-70.pdf>)

Surveillance Obligations Review (Critical Element 7)

CE-7
Surveillance
Obligations

- The regulatory authority must develop a continuous surveillance program
- Surveillance of AIS should be appropriate for the size and complexity of the aviation system
- This includes the surveillance of designated personnel who perform safety oversight functions on behalf of the Civil Aviation Authority (contract personnel)

Surveillance Program Review

- Ensure the AIS staff are capable by conducting a comprehensive assessment of individual competencies
- Ensure the AIS has the ability to conduct operations and maintenance in accordance with requirements



Source: Concepts discussed in ICAO Safety Oversight Manual, Doc 9734-A

Risk-Based AIS Surveillance

Program Review

What could go wrong?

Data and Information Hazards

Incorrect

Incomplete

Untimely

Unsynchronized

Unavailable

*Unprotected

What does risk look like?

Variation

Competency

Business Rules

Process

Traceability

What prevents things from going wrong?

Controls/Barriers

Formal Arrangements

QMS

Production Control

Configuration Management

How will I know if controls are working?

Safety Oversight Activities

Continuous Monitoring

Audits and Assessments

Inspections

Resolution of Safety Issues Review (Critical Element 8)

CE-8
Resolution
of Safety
Issues

- Develop, implement, and monitor corrective action(s)
- Follow-Up
- Ensure corrective action(s) have been implemented



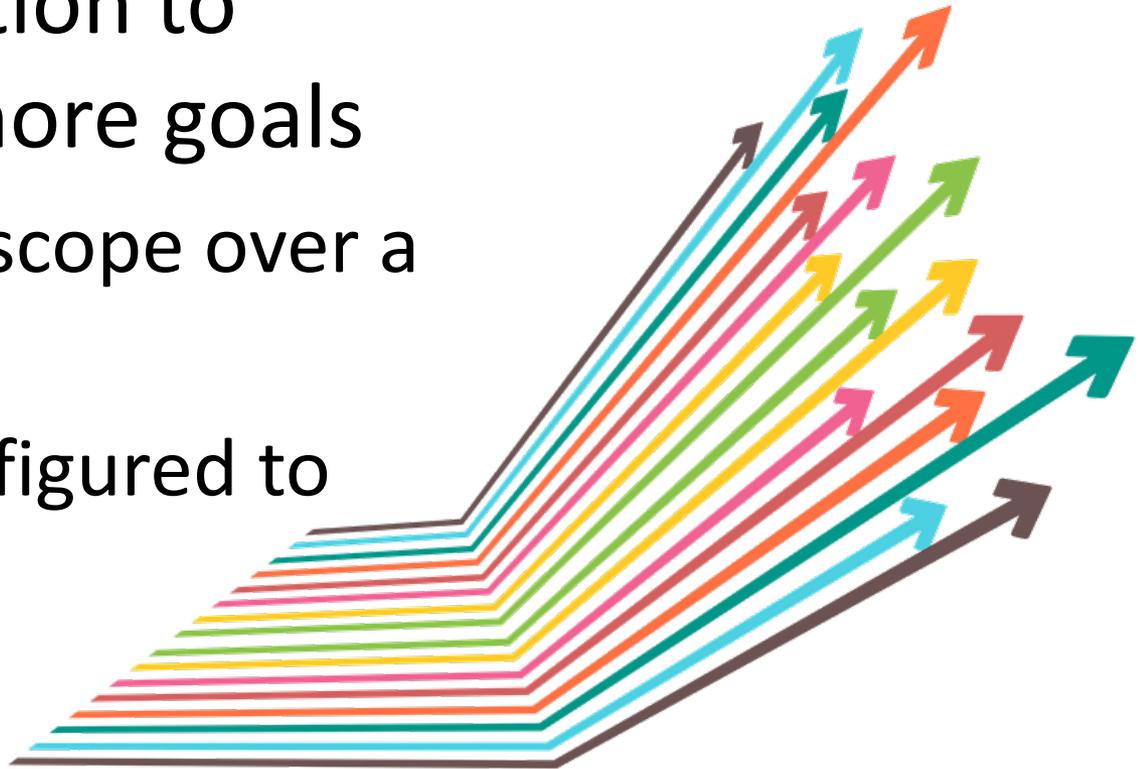
How do we develop strategies?

STRATEGIES TO PRIORITIZE AND CONDUCT OVERSIGHT ACTIVITIES

A Strategy is...

A high-level solution to achieve one or more goals

- Direction and scope over a period of time
- Resources configured to meet needs



Resources: What is Strategy? MindTools (<https://www.mindtools.com/pages/article/what-is-strategy.htm>)
The Difference Between a Strategy, a Plan, and a Process by Duncan Bucknell
(<https://duncanbucknell.com/2013/04/12/the-difference-between-a-strategy-a-plan-and-a-process/>)

Surveillance Strategies

Comprehensive

- Thorough
- Compliance focused
- Resource intensive

Risk-Based

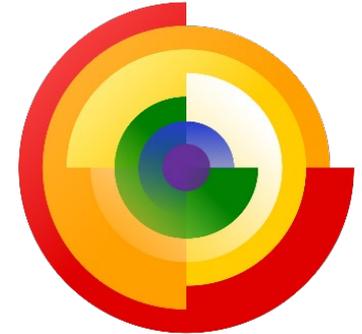
- Adaptable
- Data Informed
- Redundancy minimized
- Resource efficient

Develop a Surveillance Plan

- What are the objectives?
- What will be observed, and why?
- How will it be observed?
- What techniques to be used?
- Will this be scheduled or unscheduled surveillance?
- When will it be observed?
- With what frequency?



Develop a Surveillance Plan (Continued)



- Consider a multi-year plan
- Establish annual surveillance targets
 - Consider resources
 - Expand on the previous years progress
- Prioritize surveillance topics by estimated risk
- Incorporate follow-up on compliance issues



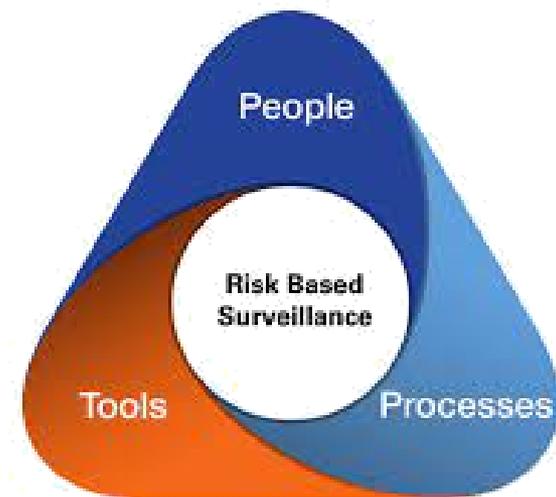


How can we do surveillance of aeronautical information organizations?

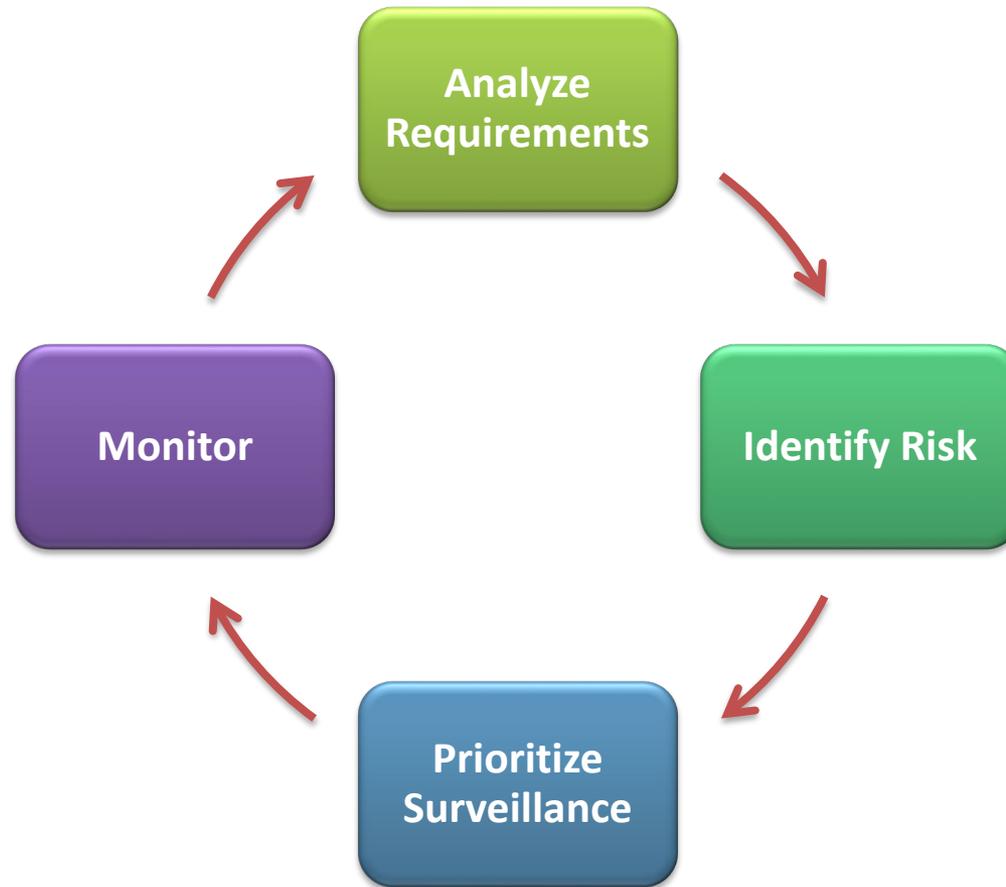
BUILD A RISK-BASED PROGRAM

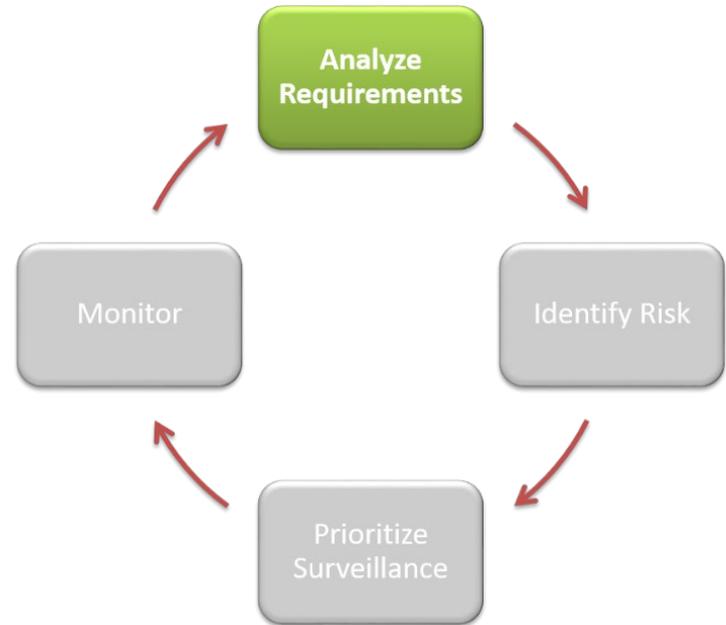
A Risk-Based Program

- Meets safety oversight responsibilities through a performance-based, risk-focused, and data-informed surveillance system
- Identifies hazards and risks related to mandatory requirements (controls)
- Addresses emerging safety issues



Build a Risk-Based Surveillance Program





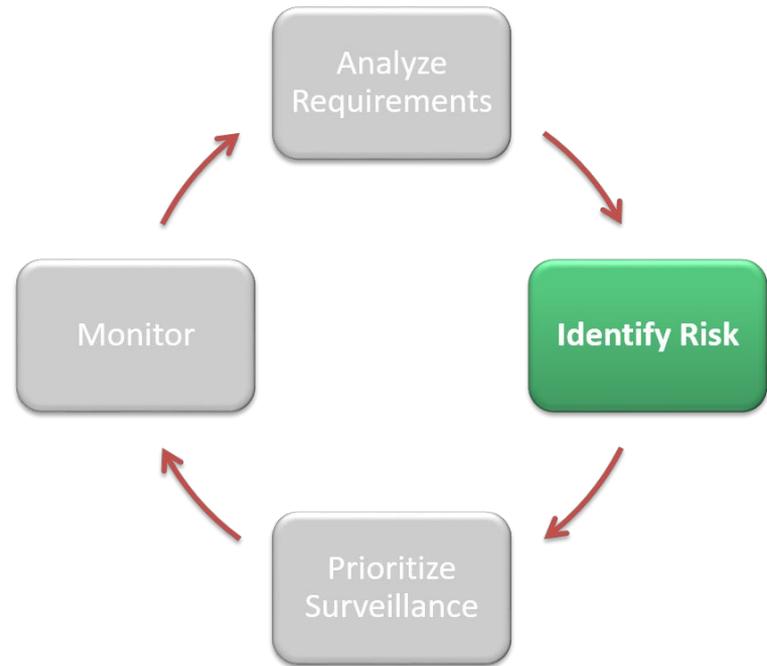
How do we analyze risk?

ANALYZE REQUIREMENTS

Analyze Requirements

- Link State statutes and directives to ICAO SARPs
- Identify requirements that form a basis for surveillance specific to aeronautical data and information:
 - Annex 15 – Aeronautical Information Services
 - Annex 4 – Charting
 - PANS-AIM/Data Catalog (Doc 10066)





How do we identify risk?

IDENTIFY RISK

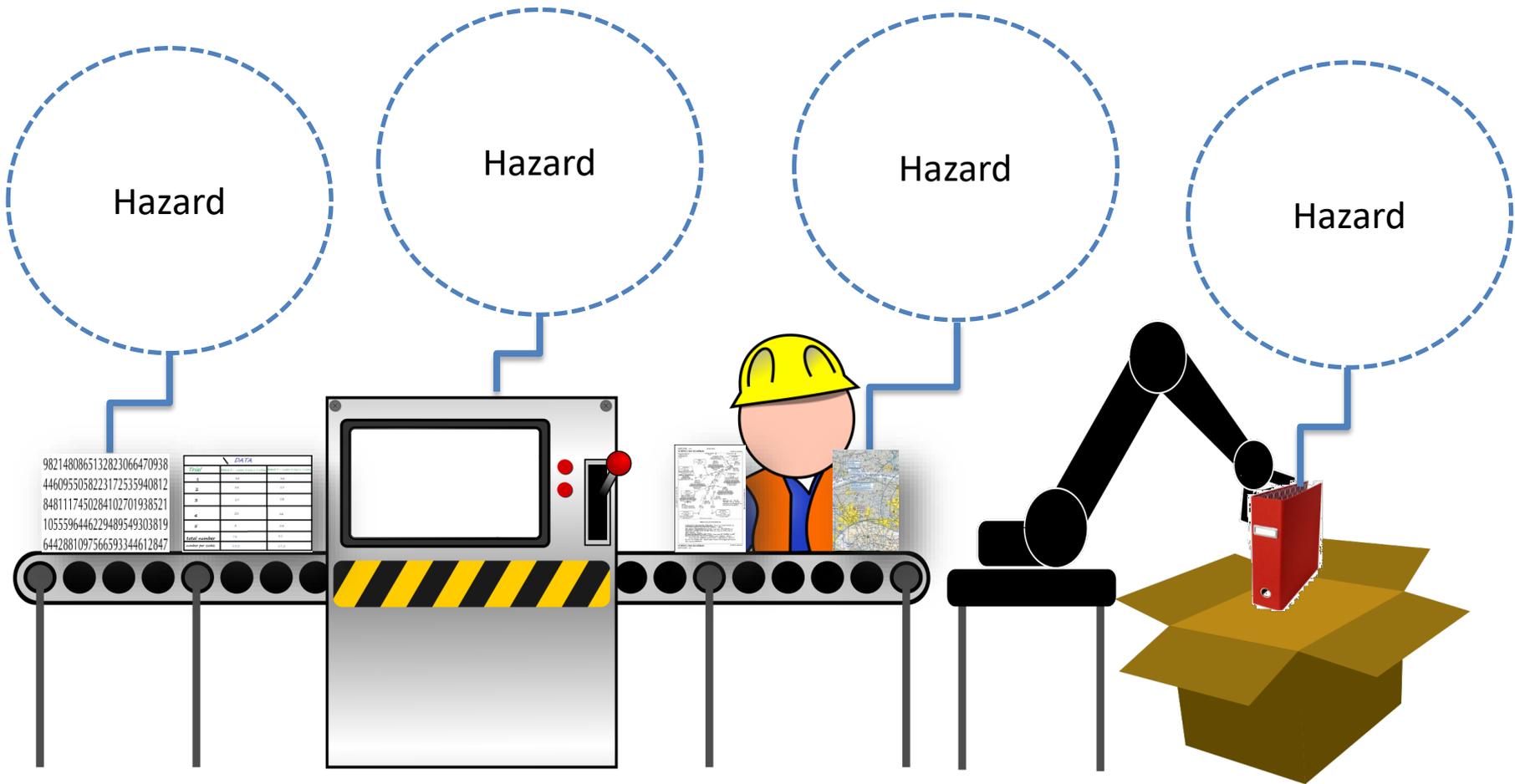
Identify Risk

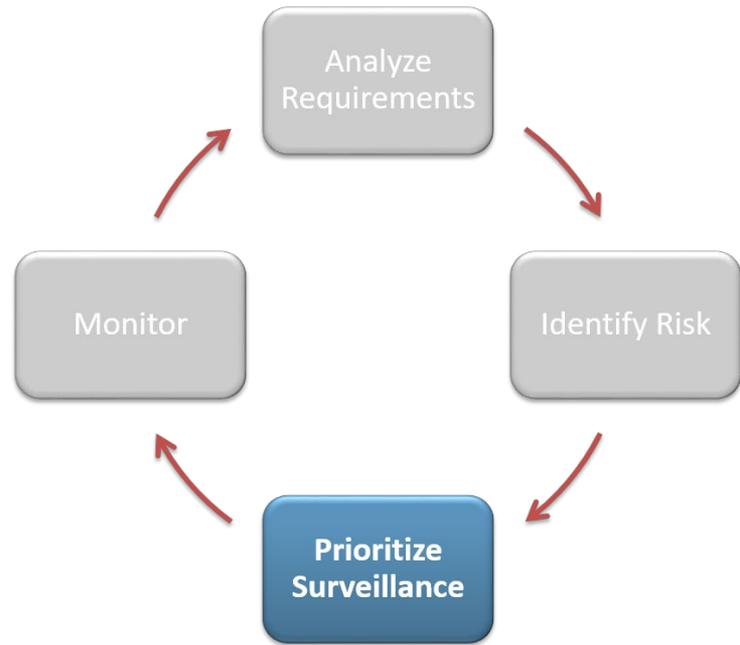
- Corrupt, erroneous, late or missing aeronautical data and information can potentially affect the safety of air navigation
- Data and information hazards:
 - Incorrect
 - Incomplete
 - Untimely
 - Unsynchronized
 - Unavailable
 - Unprotected



Resource: ICAO Annex 15, Amendment 42

Risks in the AIS Information Factory

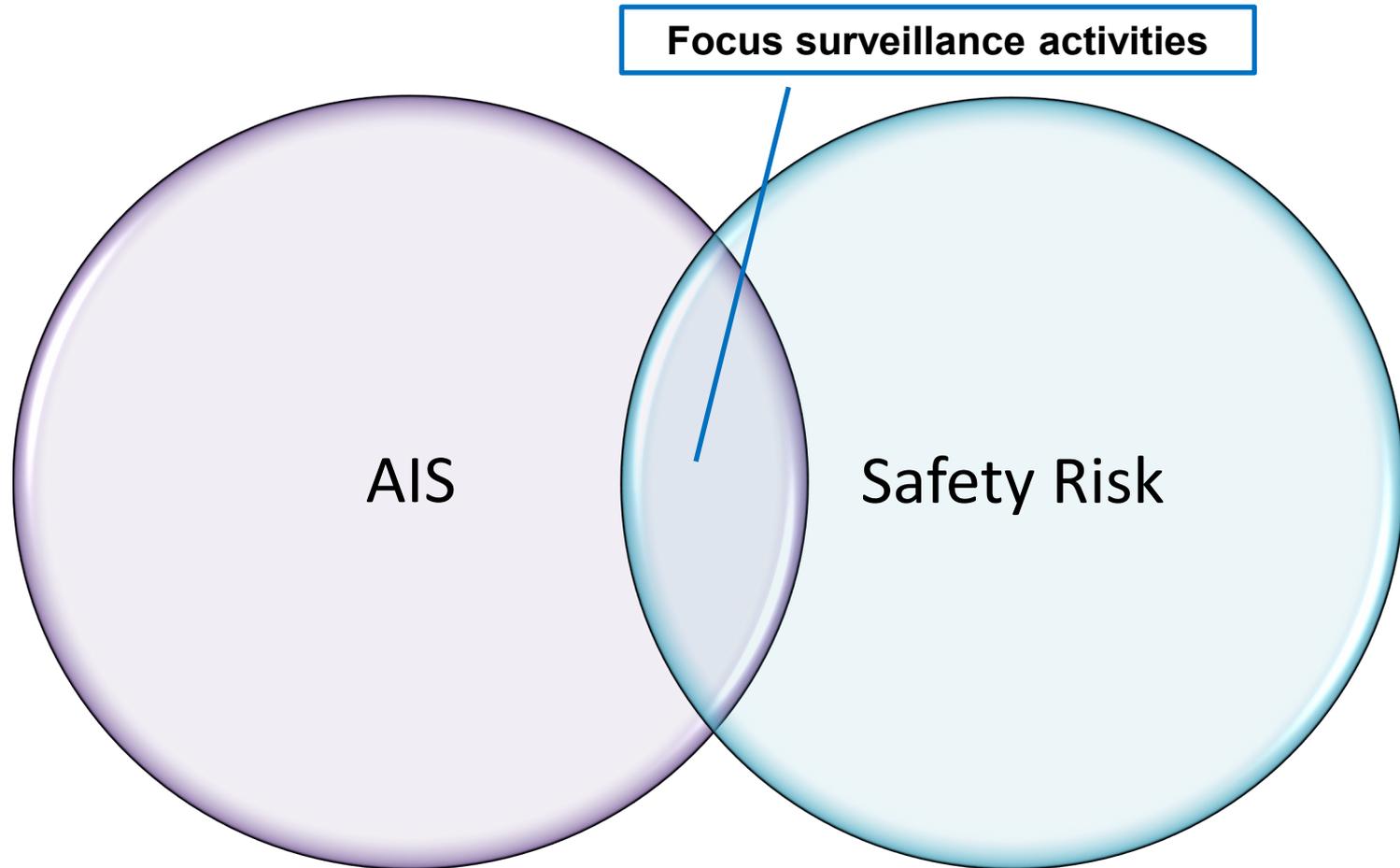




How do we prioritize risk?

PRIORITIZE SURVEILLANCE

Prioritize Surveillance



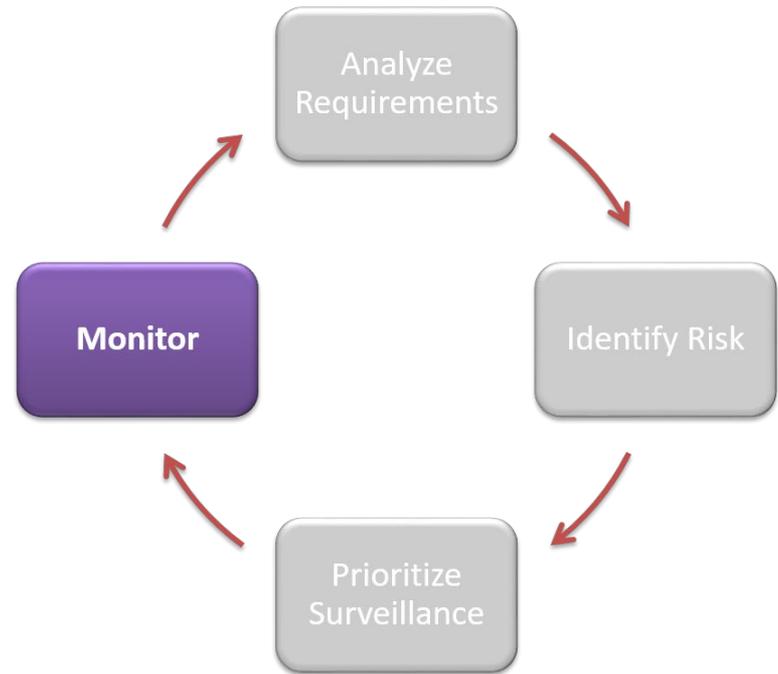
Possible Surveillance Topics

Requirements	Products	Services	Data	People
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Information Management• Quality Management• Data Protection• Automation• Human Factors• Validation and Verification	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• AIP<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Amendments• Supplements• Aeronautical Information Circular• Aeronautical charts• Terminal Procedures	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• NOTAM• Pre flight information• Post flight information• Telecommunications• Distribution	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Terrain & Obstacles• Aerodrome & Heliport• NAVAIDs• Airspace• Routes• Points• Terminal Procedures	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Technical qualification• Competency• Training

Analyze and Assess Risk

Possible Surveillance Topics

Requirements	Products	Services	Data	People	Risk severity						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Information Management Quality Management Data Protection Automation Human Factors Validation and Verification 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AIP Amendments Supplements Aeronautical Information Circular Aeronautical charts Terminal Procedures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NOTAM Pre flight info Post flight information Telecommuni Distribution 			Risk probability	Catastrophic	Hazardous	Major	Minor	Negligible	
						A	B	C	D	E	
					Frequent	5	5A	5B	5C	5D	5E
					Occasional	4	4A	4B	4C	4D	4E
					Remote	3	3A	3B	3C	3D	3E
					Improbable	2	2A	2B	2C	2D	2E
Extremely improbable	1	1A	1B	1C	1D	1E					



How do we do continuous monitoring?

MONITOR

Monitor

A surveillance activity to enable a safety oversight organization to:

- Follow-up on resolution of compliance issues and other safety concerns
- Identify changes, trends, inconsistencies, gaps or weaknesses in activities or processes
- Determine future surveillance activities



Build a Monitoring Plan

- What are the monitoring objectives?
- What will be monitored and why?
- How will it be monitored?
- What techniques to be used?
- Performance measurements?
- When will it be monitored?
- With what frequency?
- Who will monitor?



Safety Oversight Surveillance Review

Connecting AIS Topic and Process

AIS Quality Management System

Competency

Metadata

Assurance

Monitor

Audits

Surveillance Processes and Procedures

Surveillance
(collect operational data)

Analysis
(measure compliance)

Audit Activities

Initiate
Audit

Pre-
Audit
Activities

Conduct
Audit

Post-
Audit
Activities

Record-
keeping

Thoughts...

- Surveillance activities support safety oversight and resolution of safety concerns
- Surveillance strategies: comprehensive and risk-based program regarding potential surveillance topics
- Surveillance requires collection of data/information and analysis





Questions and Discussion



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