

# **ENVIRONMENT**



#### May 2024

The Carbon Offsetting and Reduction Scheme for International Aviation (CORSIA) is the first global market-based scheme that applies to a sector. It complements other aviation in-sector emissions reductions efforts such as technological innovations, operational improvements and sustainable aviation fuels to meet the ICAO aspirational goal of carbon neutral growth.

For more details on what CORSIA is click here

# Become part of ICAO efforts to address the climate impacts of international aviation



CORSIA started its **First Phase** on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024 and ICAO continues to work with all Member States to ensure that they have all the **necessary means for continuous implementation of CORSIA.** 

From 1 January 2024, there are **126 volunteer States** participating in CORSIA. Their voluntary participation is a clear signal of their **determination to contribute to the global effort relating to achieving carbon neutral growth for international aviation** working under the auspices of ICAO.

#### Join now to participate in CORSIA from 2025

The 41st Session of the ICAO Assembly strongly encouraged all States to **voluntarily participate** in the pilot phase and the first phase of CORSIA (Resolution <u>A41-22</u>, paragraph 9 c)). The larger the number of States that voluntarily participate in CORSIA, the larger the **environmental effectiveness** of the Scheme through the increased number of routes covered under its offsetting requirements.

Additional States wishing to participate from 1 January 2025 can send a notification to the ICAO Secretariat by 30 June 2024.

Click here for a sample letter that can be used to notify ICAO of a State's participation in CORSIA.

For more information on the **benefits of voluntary participation** in CORSIA, visit the ICAO website.

Act now to contribute to ICAO's efforts to achieve carbon neutral growth and to reinforce ICAO's continued leadership role in addressing emissions from international aviation.

#### **Upcoming Deadlines to report 2023 CORSIA-related Data**



In accordance with Appendix 1 to <u>Annex 16, Volume IV</u>, States are required to report annual CORSIA-related information and data through the CORSIA Central Registry (CCR). These are the upcoming CORSIA implementation deadlines for States:

#### by 31 July 2024

States perform an order of magnitude check of the 2023  $CO_2$  emissions, including any filling of data gaps necessary, and use the CORSIA Central Registry (CCR) to report to ICAO aggregated 2023  $CO_2$  emission data and, if applicable, information on CORSIA eligible fuels.

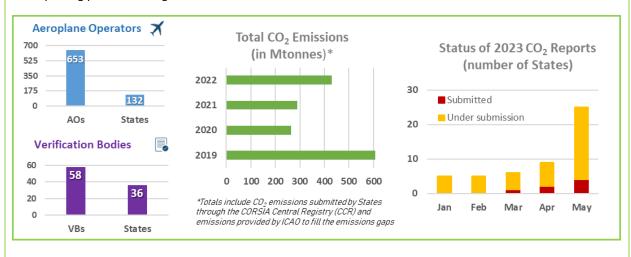


#### by 30 November 2024

States use the 2023 SGF, obtained from the ICAO document "CORSIA Annual Sector's Growth Factor (SGF)", to calculate the 2023 offsetting requirements for the aeroplane operators and consequently, the States inform the aeroplane operators about their respective 2023 offsetting requirements.

States should have submitted the list of aeroplane operators through the ICAO CCR by 30 November 2023, and this list can be updated - if necessary - before reporting CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 31 July 2024.

For 2023 CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, four States have already submitted their CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions Reports, and 21 States started the reporting process through the CCR.



In accordance with Annex 16, Volume IV, the Secretariat will fill the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions gap for States that do not submit data through the CCR in accordance with the CORSIA submission deadlines.

The Secretariat will compile the **2023** CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and any **2023** CEF-related data in Part III and Part IV, respectively, of the CORSIA document "CORSIA Central Registry (CCR): Information and Data for Transparency." The documents will be published on the ICAO website no later than 31 October 2024.

Also, by 31 October 2024, the ICAO Secretariat will publish the ICAO document "CORSIA Annual Sector's Growth Factor (SGF)", which will contain the **2023 SGF value**. States will use the 2023 SGF value to calculate the 2023 offsetting requirements of aeroplane operators attributed to them.

#### **CORSIA Eligible Emissions Units**

TAB continues the assessment of **11 applications** and **procedural changes submitted by 8 conditional programmes** for eligibility of CORSIA first phase (2024-2026 compliance period).

The applications and material changes were posted on the <u>ICAO website</u> for public comments. The deadline for submitting comments to the ICAO Secretariat regarding the material changes is **June 6, 2024**.

As part of its 2024 assessment, the TAB will continue to analyse the **potential emissions unit supply**, including new geographical data.

The ICAO Council will consider the results of the 2024 TAB assessment in October/November 2024. Currently, there are 2 approved programmes to supply eligible emissions units to CORSIA first phase, but it is expected that more programmes become eligible to supply units to CORSIA first phase by the end of 2024.

## **CORSIA Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)**

In April 2024, the ICAO Secretariat updated the **CORSIA Frequently Asked Questions** (FAQs) to reflect the amendment of the second edition of Annex 16, Volume IV and the third edition of the Environmental Technical Manual (Doc 9501) as well as detailed information on provisions relating to CORSIA eligible emissions units and CORSIA eligible fuels (e.g. avoidance of double claiming).

The 2024 CORSIA FAQs are common questions about CORSIA and its implementation elements, grouped in 6 main categories:

- 1. Market-based measure (MDM) and CORSIA
- 2. CORSIA's key design elements
- 3. Annex 16, Volume IV CORSIA
- 4. CORSIA Implementation Elements
- 5. Cost impact of CORSIA
- 6. Capacity-building and assistance for CORSIA implementation

A selection of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) on CORSIA and related responses is available for download here.

# ACT >>> CORSIA - CORSIA Buddy Partnerships - Examples of Good Practice ->> Model regulations ->>> CO2\_Aggregation - Frequently Asked Questions - Brochure and Leaflets ->> Videos (Navigating CORSIA) ->> Seminars ->> Background Information

**CORSIA Newsletter** 

		Search:		
	1.	General questions about a market-based measure (MBM) and CORSIA		
	1.1	What is a market-based measure (MBM)?		
	1.2	What is the contribution of aviation to global greenhouse gas emissions?		
	1.3	Why does the Paris Agreement not include international aviation emissions?		
0	1.4	Why did ICAO decide to develop a global MBM scheme for international aviation?		
0	1.5	What ICAO process was followed to develop CORSIA?		
•	1.6	What is CORSIA and how does it work, in general?		
	2.	Questions about CORSIA's key design elements		
		Key design element 1: Phased implementation of CORSIA		
•	2.1	What is the rationale for the phased implementation of CORSIA?		
•	2.2	What are the different phases?		
•	2.3	What is the difference between the pilot phase (from 2021 through 2023) and the first phase (from 2024 through 2026)?		
•	2.4	Which criteria determine the participation or exemption of States from CORSIA offsetting in its second phase from 2027 to 2035?		

## **CORSIA Capacity Building**



**ACT-CORSIA** is the ICAO **A**ssistance, **C**apacity Building and **T**raining programme on **CORSIA** to provide States with CORSIA implementation support. It was established in July 2018 and encompasses the **CORSIA Buddy Partnerships**, examples of good practices for CORSIA implementation, frequently asked questions, publications, videos and more. For a complete list of activities click here.

The ACT-CORSIA Buddy Partnerships are a cornerstone of ICAO's plan to support States to prepare for CORSIA implementation. The ACT-CORSIA Buddy Partnerships rely on individual training of CORSIA Focal Points and constitute the core of capacity building activities. The ACT-CORSIA Buddy Partnerships have been proven to be an extremely successful modality to provide training and assistance to support-requesting States on various aspects of CORSIA implementation and to date, 136 States participate in the programme (17 supporting States and 119 requesting States).

Under the partnerships, technical experts provided by supporting States work together with the CORSIA focal points of requesting States to provide on-site training, and to closely follow-up on the preparation and implementation of the requesting States' CORSIA MRV system. The results of the training activities thus far have been remarkable, with more than **97% of global CORSIA CO<sub>2</sub> emission**s submitted annually by States through the CCR.

More information can be found **here**.

For 2024, the focus of the training under the ACT-CORSIA Buddy Partnerships will be on the use of the CORSIA Central Registry (CCR) version 2, in particular, the reporting requirements relating to CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, CORSIA eligible fuels, and CORSIA eligible emissions units

The <u>Leaflet for CORSIA Focal Points</u> is available now to provide information and useful links that will assist State's focal points in the implementation of CORSIA.

# **2024 ICAO Regional Seminars on Environment**

ICAO is organizing the **2024 Environmental Regional Seminars** with the objectives of raising awareness and exchanging views on the implementation of **the collective long-term global aspirational goal (LTAG)** for international aviation of net-zero carbon emissions by 2050 and **the Global Framework on Sustainable Aviation Fuels (SAF), Lower Carbon Aviation Fuels (LCAF) and other aviation cleaner energies.** The topics to be presented during the seminars include recent developments on aviation cleaner energy policies and State Action Plans, CORSIA as the basis for the eligibility of aviation cleaner energies, implementation challenges and the ACT-SAF programme, and financing for aviation cleaner energies, as well as the means for monitoring the progress for the implementation of the LTAG and Global Framework.

The 2024 ICAO Environmental Regional Seminars will be held from **7** August to **12** September **2024**, as five inperson events:

Dates	ICAO Regions	City, Country
7 - 8 August 2024	Asia and Pacific (APAC)	Bangkok, Thailand
12 - 13 August 2024	Middle East (MID)	Cairo, Egypt
20 – 21 August 2024	North American, Central American and Caribbean (NACC); South American (SAM)	Asunción, Paraguay
27 – 28 August 2024	Eastern and Southern African (ESAF); Western and Central African (WACAF)	Dakar, Senegal
10-12 September 2024	European and North Atlantic (EUR/NAT)	Samarkand, Republic of Uzbekistan

Detailed information about the Regional Seminar is available here.

# **2024 ICAO Symposium on Non-CO<sub>2</sub> Aviation Emissions**



The ICAO Symposium on Non-CO2 Aviation Emissions will take place from 16 to 18 September 2024 in Montreal, Canada to raise awareness of all interested parties on non-CO2 emissions from aviation operations.

The three-day event will focus on taking stock of the scientific knowledge on non-CO<sub>2</sub> effects and sharing the work undertaken by ICAO and all relevant stakeholders, as well as exploring future activities and measures to potentially mitigate and address these effects, considering the existing scientific uncertainties.

More information about the seminar is available on the ICAO website.



The **CORSIA Verification Course** provides training on how to verify CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions Reports that have been prepared by aeroplane operators, in accordance with the provisions of the CORSIA Standards and Recommended Practices (SARPs) contained in Annex 16, Volume IV.

The CORSIA Verification Course has been updated to provide information on verification requirements as per the upcoming second edition of Annex 16, Volume IV, applicable from 1 January 2024.

**<u>Click here</u>** for more information and registration

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