

1 INTRODUCTION

The International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) has initiated an in-depth review of the TRAINAIR Programme. The new upgraded programme, called TRAINAIR *PLUS*, has been presented to ICAO Member States in Electronic Bulletin reference EB2010/45 issued under the authority of the Secretary General. The new TRAINAIR *PLUS* Programme features an updated and more effective course development methodology and a new membership framework.

This document describes the rules and operations of the new TRAINAIR *PLUS* Programme and supersedes any rules and principles included in any documents applicable to the former TRAINAIR Programme, regardless of its publication date.

2 GOAL OF THE TRAINAIR PLUS PROGRAMME

The TRAINAIR *PLUS* programme goal is to improve the safety and efficiency of air transport through the establishment, maintenance and monitoring of high standards of training and competency of aviation personnel on a world-wide basis and in a cost-effective manner.

To achieve this goal, the TRAINAIR Plus programme uses two tools: a methodology to develop standardized courses in civil aviation disciplines and a sharing system of Standardized Training Packages (STPs).

The Aviation Safety Training (AST) Section of the Air Navigation Bureau is responsible for the management of the TRAINAIR *PLUS* Programme.

3 BENEFITS

Members of the TRAINAIR *PLUS* Programme have access to any STPs prepared by other members. They can import and adapt STPs to meet local conditions. They will also have access to non-STP materials made available by Corporate Members.

Through the TRAINAIR *PLUS* Programme, members can progressively upgrade their curriculum by applying the TRAINAIR *PLUS* course development methodology and accessing a pool of validated STPs.

The TRAINAIR *PLUS* Programme provides a forum that supports cooperation among Contracting States and the exchange of training best practices. Members will be invited to participate in all TRAINAIR *PLUS* events as well as other relevant ICAO activities.

Full and Associate Members may use the TRAINAIR *PLUS* logo on their publications and letterheads.