

MEETING REPORT

European Network of Civil Aviation Safety
Investigation Authorities (ENCASIA) - 10th Meeting

28-29 January 2015
Brussels – Centre Borschette - room 3B

1) General information

30 people representing 19 Member States, the European Commission (EC) and organizations with the status of observer attended the meeting. The Chairman welcomed new colleagues from Croatia and from Slovenia.

2) Approval of the agenda

The agenda was approved. It was proposed to provide an update on a string of incidents involving turboprop model propeller blades.

3) Approval of the last ENCASIA minutes

The draft minutes of the previous meeting were approved without changes and will be uploaded onto CIRCABC.

4) Experience made with the provisions of the Regulation (EU) No 996/2010

Commission update:

The EC provided explanations and an update on EU Pilot. As it was reported during the previous meeting, the EU Pilot system is quite flexible, but it is not supposed to last too long.

The Commission also highlighted the support to ENCASIA. DG MOVE participated to the Civil protection Committee meeting on 4 December 2014 and made a presentation:

- To inform the Civil Protection Committee about the new obligation of having a civil aviation emergency plan at national level;
- To study the possibility of organising an exercise involving both the civil protection actors and the civil aviation actors.

By reciprocity, DG ECHO was invited to present the Union Civil Protection Mechanism to ENCASIA on 29 January 2015.

On-going legislative activities:

- The Commission's work programme that includes a revision of Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 (the Basic Regulation);
- The positive opinion of the EASA Committee to the adoption of the Commission Implementing Regulation on occurrence reporting.

5) Presentation of the 2014 ENCASIA annual report

The 2014 annual report was approved with an extended period of consultation to accommodate further possible comments prior to transmitting the report to the European Parliament and the Council in accordance with Article 7(7) of Regulation (EU) No 996/2010.

6) WG6 "Safety recommendations"

- Presentation of WG6 activities
- SRIS enhancements

7) Update on WG5 "Peer Reviews"

- Discussion about the results, lessons learned and the way forward

8) Update on WG1 & WG2

- ENCASIA website
- Sharing good practices

9) Update on WG3 "Procedures for asking and providing help" and on WG4 "Training of investigators"

- Feedback on the tabletop exercise/training to manage a major investigation and pool resources in Europe

10) ENCASIA Work Programme 2015

The 2015 ENCASIA work programme was approved by ENCASIA. Like for the 2014 ENCASIA annual report, the 2015 work programme was approved with an extended period of consultation to accommodate further possible comments prior its transmission to the European Parliament and the Council.

11) Financial implementation of Work Programme

- Update on the grants/ Next projects to be supported

12) Regulation (EU) No 996/2010

The EC provided an updated on the status of the report on the review of Regulation (EU) No 996/2010. The content of the review was nearly finalised but its format was not decided yet (Communication or Commission Staff Working Document).

13) Introduction to the Union Civil Protection Mechanism

- Early afternoon short presentation (DG ECHO - Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection)

At the end of the meeting DG ECHO presented its activities, which are of interest with respect to civil aviation accident emergency plans at national level.

14) Preparation of the High Level Safety Conference (HLSC)

- Discussion on the role of States having suffered fatalities or serious injuries to its citizens

15) Feedback on specific investigations (SIAs volunteering)

16) Update on other fora

- EASA update -SIA coordination meeting / Network of Analysts (NoA)
- ECAC ACC
- European Society of Air Safety Investigators (ESASI)

17) AOB

- Observers

The Chairman reported that two non-EU members had expressed their wish to join ENCASIA as observers. The main points were that:

- ECAC is already a forum for non EU states and it is important to keep this complementarity;
- To discuss in depth and in confidence sensitive on-going investigations, it is preferable having a smaller group.

Anyhow, on a case by case approach, observers have always been welcome to attend ENCASIA meetings.

NEXT ENCASIA PLENARY MEETING: 15-16 September 2015
