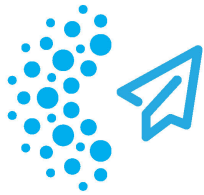


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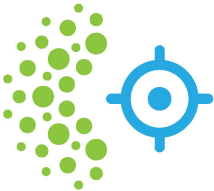
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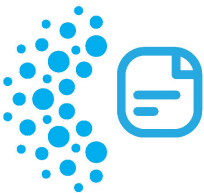
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The **EAC Aviation Symposium** was established by the EAC-CASSOA Board as a strategic platform for raising awareness on issues affecting aviation safety and security at both the global and regional levels.

The Symposium provides a forum for aviation stakeholders to **exchange ideas, showcase innovations**, and collectively address emerging and challenges related to **aviation safety, security** and **sustainability**.





Background Information

The **EAC-CASSOA Board**, every two years, determines the theme of the EAC Aviation Symposium, taking into account emerging global trends, regional priorities, and key areas of concern within the aviation industry. In this regard, the theme for the forthcoming 7th EAC Aviation Symposium is:

***“Advancing Aviation Excellence:
Towards Connected, Sustainable
and Safer Skies”***

The 7th edition will serve as a key platform for enhancing collaboration within the regional integration framework, emphasizing connectivity, sustainability and continued safety as enablers of aviation and economic growth.





Objectives of the 7th EAC Aviation Symposium

The symposium seeks to raise awareness and promote collective action on current and emerging issues affecting aviation safety, security, efficiency, and sustainability within the region. The objectives of the 7th EAC Aviation Symposium are to:

a) Enhance Aviation Policy Harmonization and Collaboration

To align aviation legislation and procedures across the region to ensure consistency in order to promote coordinated implementation of ICAO SARPs, seamless cross-border operations and fair competition.

b) Promote Aviation Safety and Security Oversight

To strengthen regulatory oversight systems, emphasizing aviation safety and security, risk management, capacity building and coordinated responses to emerging aviation matters.





Objectives of the 7th EAC Aviation Symposium

c) Advance Digital Transformation

To promote the adoption of technologies in aviation operations and oversight as a means of enhancing efficiency, interoperability and reducing operational costs while improving passenger experience.



d) Support Environmental Sustainability

To encourage the aviation sector in the region to reduce carbon emissions and promoting sustainable aviation practices including adopting Sustainable Aviation Fuels (SAF), modernizing fleets, and implementing green airport initiatives.

f) Foster Industry Partnerships and Financing

To promote collaboration through Partnerships, innovative financing mechanisms, and regional investment strategies to support infrastructure development, capacity building, and modernization projects.



Symposium Topics



The following topics will be discussed during the symposium:

a) Regional Safety & Security Oversight:

- Strengthening institutional capacity and sustainability of AIG and AAID
- Improving performance under ICAO USOAP-CMA and USAP audits
- Regional cooperation through peer support and harmonized policies

b) Seamless Airspace Integration

- Progress on ANS harmonization, cross-border contingency, and ATFM/CDM
- Sharing of surveillance data and CNS/ATM interoperability



Symposium Topics

c) Safety and Security Culture

- Promoting Just Culture and data-driven decision making.
- Strengthening occurrence reporting and investigation collaboration

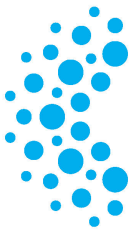
d) Digital Connectivity and Cybersecurity

- Implementation of API/PNR systems and identity management.
- Establishing robust cybersecurity frameworks and national SOCs.



e) Green Aviation

- Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) adoption, Fuel efficiency, emissions monitoring, and carbon finance opportunities.
- Green Airport Technology and solutions



Symposium Topics

f) Operational Efficiency and Service Delivery

- Enhancing Airport-Airline-ANSP coordination (A-CDM)
- On-Time Performance (OTP) and slot coordination improvement





Symposium Topics

g) Aviation as a Catalyst for Tourism and Trade

- Route development and cargo corridor expansion.
- Harmonization of visa policies and promotion of intra-EAC travel.

h) Funding and Financing Mechanisms

- PPP models, donor coordination, and innovation funding.
- Development of a regional aviation project pipeline.

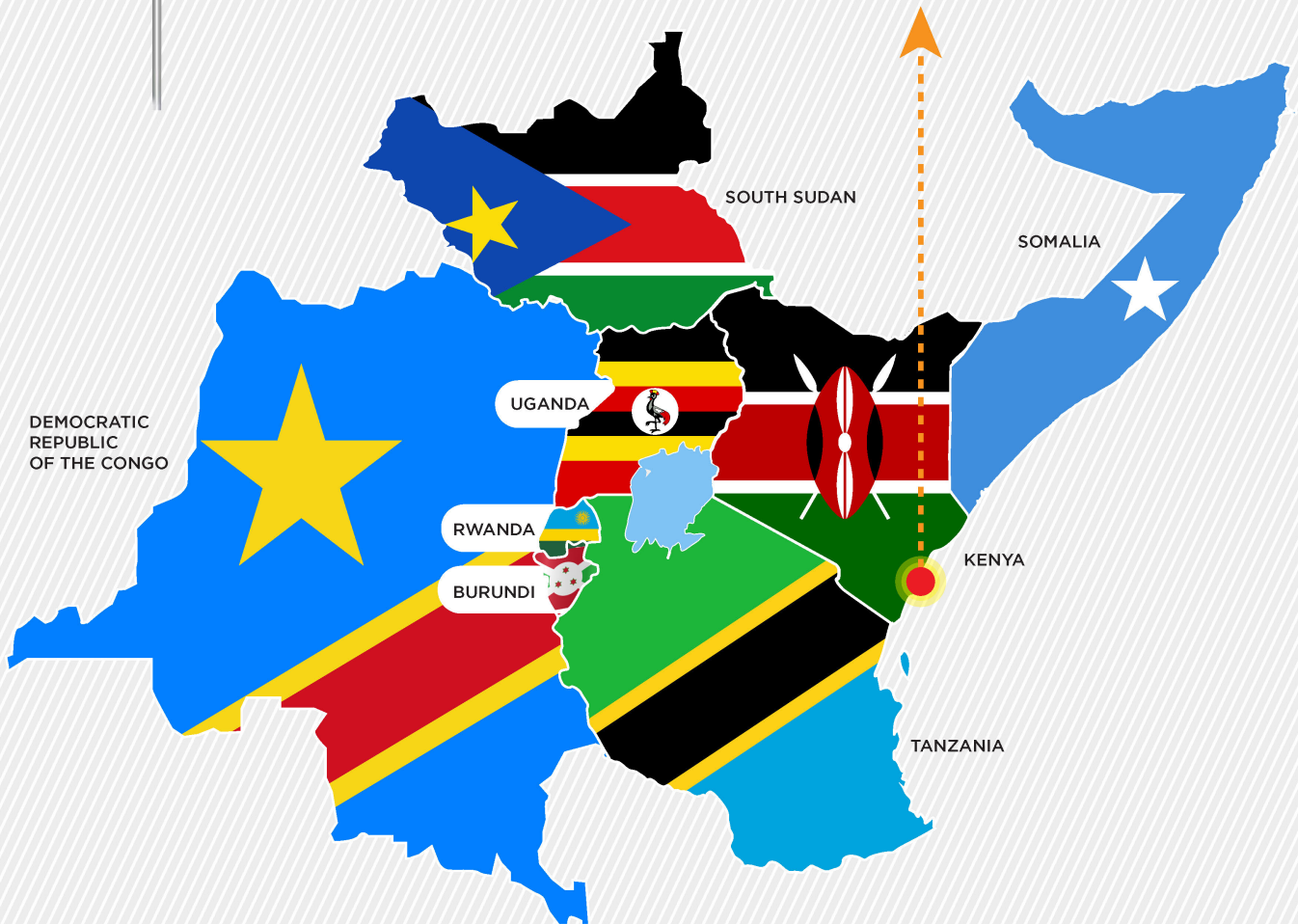
i) Next Generation of Aviators



Venue & Dates



The 7th EAC Symposium will be held from **14th – 15th May 2026** in **Mombasa, Kenya**.





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