Cooperative Aviation Security Programme
Middle East (CASP-MID)

CASP-MID 2019 Achievements and 2020 Work Plan

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Cooperative Aviation Security Programme Middle East (CASP MID) Historical Background

- High-level Ministerial Conference held in Feb 2012
- The Directors General of Civil Aviation and senior officials of eleven States participated in the Preparatory Meeting, held in Manama, Bahrain on 27 & 28 June 2012. At the conclusion, the eleven States agreed to a declaration asking ICAO to establish the Cooperative Aviation Security Program-Middle East Region (CASP-MID)
- Riyadh Declaration 31 Aug 2016, Sixth decision. (encouraging States who did not join the CASP-MID programme to do so...)
Global Objective of the Programme

The objective of the programme is to enhance the security of air transport operations, aircraft, civil aviation installations, personnel and traveling public and to diminish the potential for unlawful acts against civil aviation being committed in the Middle East Region.
Expert Working Group (EWG) Structure

- Chairman
- Donor States and Organizations
- Member States
Phase I of CASP-MID
June 2013-Dec 2017

Member States:
• Bahrain (withdrawn in 2017)
• Jordan
• Kuwait
• Saudi Arabia
• Sudan

Around 600 AVSEC Personnel has been trained. Gulf Aviation Academy was accredited as ICAO ASTC.
Phase II of CASP-MID

Jan 2018-Dec 2022

Reported to Duty on 12 July 2019

Interested States likely to join the programme in 2019-2020:

• Iraq (Awaiting Ministry of Finance allocating of budget)
• Yemen (Letter of interest received, Saudi Arabia Funds)
• Libya (Awaiting approval from Transport Minister)
• Lebanon (Seeking Donors)
Phase II of CASP-MID

Member States subject to USAP-CMA in 2020:

- Saudi Arabia
- Sudan
CASP-MID & ICAO-MID

- GASeP Priorities and tasks.
- USAP-CMA results analysis.
- Middle East Regional Aviation Security and Facilitation Group (RASFG) and regional Roadmap.
- Special needs required by States.
- More focus on ICAO Certified Instructors of Member States to polish their skills and in-kind contribution from Member States.
- No time limit for CASP-MID to provide assistance to States undergoing USAP-CMA.
- Uniformed (disciplined) Governmental Security Agencies training.
CASP-MID Activities since mid July 2019 up to now
Crisis Management Workshop Riyadh, Saudi Arabia (28 Jul- 1 Aug 2019)

• The Workshop was attended by 26 participants representing GACA Airports.

CASP-AP visit Bangkok, Thailand 20-23 Aug 2019

• Discussed future opportunities of cooperation between both programmes
• Went through administrative and logistics matters of the CASP
• Best Practices gained from CASP-AP to be used by CASP-MID
Iraqi Civil Aviation delegation meeting Riyadh, Saudi Arabia 8 Sep 2019

• Meeting was held to encourage Iraq to join CASP-MID.

Risk Management Workshop 9-12 Sep 2019 Amman, Jordan

• Outcome: Risk Management Policy and Risk Register were drafted.

Land Side Security Workshop Riyadh, Saudi Arabia (24-26 Sep 2019)

• Focused on the 3 Landside SARPs of Annex 17 and the Guidance in Doc. 8973 with Facilitation considerations.

- Saudi Arabia requested a RMW to be conducted in Jeddah for GACA staff.


- Drafted Annual Work Plan for 2020
- Agreed on developing new Workshops
Cyber Security Resilience Symposium Amman, Jordan (15-17 Oct 2019)

• Exposure to the latest updates on Cyber Security and develop the Cyber Security AVSEC Awareness Workshop.
• Plan for a Cyber Security Awareness Workshop developed for the CASP-MID.

RASFG-MID Steering Group (RSG/1) Cairo, Egypt (22-24 Oct 2019)

• More engagement from CASP-MID as a technical arm of ICAO MID to achieve SECFAL Regional Targets through MID SECFAL Roadmap.
• Encouragement of all MID States to join the CASP-MID.
Director General of Civil Aviation Fifth Meeting (DGCA/5) Kuwait, 4-6 Nov 2019

- Participated as the Technical Mechanism of implementation of Annex 17 SARPs in the Middle East.
- Encouragement of States who has not join the CASP-MID to do so.
USAP-CMA Preparation Riyadh, Saudi Arabia (10-14 Nov 2019)

• Revision of the National Programmes.
• Went through the CE 1-CE5 Protocol Questions.
• Recommendations for improvement.

Covert Test Workshop Riyadh, Saudi Arabia (17-21 Nov 2019)

• Focus on the establishment of relevant Quality Control requirements in the National Regulations.
• Practical Exercises to develop the Covert Test Tools.
USAP-CMA Seminar Riyadh, Saudi Arabia (24-27 Nov 2019)

- 37 Participants from 7 States attended the Seminar.
- Cost was generously covered by Saudi Arabia, including flights for some participants.

Land Side Security Workshop Jeddah, Riyadh (9-11 Dec 2019)

- Detailed requirements in regards Land side and Mitigation Measures at Airports.
OJT Quality Control National Inspectors Training Amman, Jordan (22-26 Dec 2019)

- Advanced Practical Training for the National Certified Jordanian Inspectors.
- Acquire needed skills to plan, prepare, conduct, report and follow up inspections at national level.
Sixth Meeting of CASP-MID Executive Steering Committee (ESC/6), Riyadh, Saudi Arabia (5-6 Jan 2020)

- Meeting attended by 4 States, 2 Organizations and 3 Sponsors. ICAO ISD-SEC and ICAO MID Office(22 total)
- Approval of 2020 Budget and Annual work Plan.
- Approval of CASP MID Logo and Certificates.
Risk Context Statement Writing, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (20-23 Jan 2020)

- State Mission Jointly conducted by CASP AP & CASP MID.
- 22 Participants from all Stakeholders.
- Risk Register Drafted.
What is new in CASP-MID Phase II

1. Guidance and Consultancy to Member States
2. Conduct Newly Developed Workshops
3. Encourage Twinning between Member States
4. Conduct Standard ICAO ASTPs and Tailored Trainings
Guidance and Consultancy to Member States

- Preparation for USAP-CMA
- Revision of Corrective Action Plan (CAP)
- Revision of National Programs (NCASP, NCASTP, NCASQCP, AVSEC Certification System, and NATFP)
- Provide Guidance and Best Practices on Screening Points’ layout and design considering Facilitation
- Conduct a SECFAL National State Roadmap Workshop aligned with MID SECFAL Roadmap
Conduct Newly Developed Workshops

- Covert Testing Workshop
- Landside Security Workshop
- Cyber Security Awareness workshop
- Practical National Inspector Workshop
- Unlawful Acts of Interference Exercises

Not implemented or partial
Not Available for AVSEC Staff
Airport facility attacks
Focus on Practical skills
Hijacking was the focus
Encourage Twinning between Member States

- Inspectors OJT and Exchange of experience on different areas
- Sharing Threat Information

Conduct Standard and Tailored ICAO ASTPs

- Security Agencies Specific Training
- CAA and Airports/Airlines Targeted Training
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