

DECISION
ADB(D)-08-2014

Adoption of the European Single Sky ImPlementation (ESSIP) Plan Edition 2014

THE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD OF THE SESAR JOINT UNDERTAKING (SJU),

Having regard to:

- Council Regulation (EC) n°219/2007 of 27 February 2007 on the establishment of a Joint Undertaking to develop the new generation of the European air traffic management system (SESAR) as modified by Council Regulation n°2361/2008 of 16 December 2008, hereafter the SJU Regulation;
- Art 5.1(a) of the Joint Undertaking Statutes annexed to the SJU Regulation;

Whereas:

- The European ATM Master plan is the commonly agreed strategic roadmap maintained and executed by the SESAR Joint Undertaking, for shifting to a high performance ATM System from a technological and operational perspective to support SES performance objectives;
- The European ATM Master plan is a living document that covers both the development and the deployment phases of SESAR. It steers the work programme for the development phase and, similarly, the European ATM Master plan is a key governance tool of the deployment phase;
- The ESSIP Plan represents the ‘Level 3’ of the European ATM Master Plan, in the form of implementation objectives to be achieved within coordinated time scales;
- The ESSIP Plan is an official deliverable produced as part of the SESAR Work Programme, Work Package C, Project C02;
- The ESSIP Plan is a rolling plan that is updated annually to reflect and accommodate any change brought in terms of implementation needs;
- The yearly updates of the ESSIP Plan are not considered significant modifications of the European ATM Master Plan, as referred to in Article 5(4) of Regulation (EC) 219/2007, and should accordingly be approved by the Administrative Board of the SESAR Joint Undertaking;
- A written procedure was launched on 16 August 2014 for the adoption of the ESSIP Plan Edition 2014 and was closed on 23 September 2014. The European Commission gave a positive opinion on parts II and III of the ESSIP Plan Edition 2014, subject to taking into account the following requirements for the next edition:

1. On Part II: to consider the possibility to present the mapping of the ESSIP objectives with the Operational Improvements of the European ATM Master Plan placing the ESSIP objectives before the Operational improvements and mention separately the European ATM Master Plan 'Operational Improvements Steps' and 'Enablers', where no link is to be made with ESSIP objectives;
2. On Part III: to consider the State Authorities' Stakeholder Lines of Action that have been removed from the ESSIP Plan Edition 2014, also consider removing other Stakeholder Lines of Action corresponding to well know responsibilities of these Authorities and for which the planning at ESSIP level could not offer any added value (e.g. training of ATCO and training of Pilots)";
3. To implement the recommendations of the SJU PC Tiger Team (June 2014) on the European ATM Master Plan.
4. To ensure the tools and documents of the Level 3 of the European ATM Master Plan remain exclusively in support to implementation objectives derived from the Level 2, in consistency with the SES legal framework and the SESAR Project. Should some items not respect those conditions, they should be removed from further editions.
5. To assess the possibility of updating the Annex E of the ESSIP Plan (including the SESAR Release close out report at the time of the publication of the ESSIP Plan).

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The Board adopts the ESSIP Plan Edition 2014 annexed to this decision.

This decision shall enter into force on the date of its adoption.

Done in Brussels, 30 September 2014.

For the Administrative Board


João AGUIAR MACHADO
The Chairperson