

# ICAO Affairs: Global voice of ATM

*As the global voice of air traffic management (ATM), CANSO works closely with governments, regulators and industry partners to maintain safe, efficient and effective airspace worldwide.*



## Governments and regulators

The International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) is the specialised agency of the United Nations, established by States to manage the administration and governance of the 1944 Convention on International Civil Aviation (Chicago Convention).

ICAO works with the Convention's [192 Member States](#) and aviation industry stakeholders to reach consensus on international civil aviation Standards and Recommended Practices (SARPs), policies and guidelines. Together, these support a safe, efficient, secure, economically sustainable and environmentally responsible civil aviation sector.

CANSO has 'Observer Status' at ICAO, which means it is an official Observer to the ICAO Council and Air Navigation Commission (ANC). Participation in ICAO panels enables CANSO Members to gain insight into ICAO work programmes and initiatives that may affect them; represent the views of the industry in critical discussions on global standardisation and regulatory requirements; and collaborate on the development of industry best practice.

In turn, CANSO provides ICAO and the aviation industry with specialist knowledge and expertise and the constant level of cooperation required to harmonise global ATM.

## Industry partners

To advocate a strong aviation industry voice, both within ICAO and beyond, CANSO collaborates with industry partners and observers to ICAO. Through regular liaison we aim to agree common positions on industry issues which relate to ICAO work programmes, ICAO regions and States, and the future of aviation more broadly.



## HAVE YOUR VOICE HEARD

CANSO welcomes Member participation in ICAO panels, working groups, study groups and task forces and other global symposia or fora. It encourages CANSO Members to volunteer expertise and share views on potential policies, legislative issues and other points of interest, on behalf of the wider membership.



## WHY TAKE PART?

Being a CANSO representative allows you to showcase your expertise at an international level and enables you to influence key decisions. It offers a unique glimpse at what the future holds as you actively participate in the creation of guidelines and policies and industry-wide initiatives. More information can be found [online](#).

## CANSO in Montreal

The CANSO ICAO Affairs team is located in Montreal, providing a close link with ICAO and the aviation industry, and a strong base for Members supporting this area of activity.

For more information about how CANSO works with governments, regulators and industry partners and how to join an ICAO panel, working group or task force, please contact us:

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