

## ECOGAS Board meeting

5<sup>th</sup> Nov 2025

Attendees:

Dan Banja

Kurt Dahlmann

Alex Segens

Marc Bailey

*Note: Because of changes to the meeting invitation Francoise, Marcel and Cyril may have been trying to join the meeting and were unable to. Apologies Marc*

1. ECOGAS representation at EASA and securing main/alternate roles from the membership.
  - 1.1. We discussed the importance of securing appropriate representation at all levels of EASA meetings. We are still highly dependent on the board members to undertake the roles and responsibilities for SAB, CSTG and AG's. This approach is not sustainable on two counts, firstly we have no contingency plan to support last minute issues and secondly the demographic of our group is such that many of us will be leaving our roles in the near future. We need to have a succession plan in place by the second quarter of 2026. I am asking each of the ECOGAS board members to approach their respective boards and formally request the support of their members to provide a main and alternate representative for certain EASA groups. We need to get to a position where we are not dependent on ECOGAS board members to be the only representatives for EASA meetings. **Action – All ECOGAS board members**
2. Does ECOGAS have a wider role to play
  - 2.1. With the changes taking place at EBAA there may be a need for ECOGAS to cover some areas that would have previously been the domain of business aviation. If EBAA is unable to fulfil certain requirements with EASA for its members then it might be prudent to offer ECOGAS as a vehicle to support members in certain member states with their issues. This situation is for us to observe and evaluate in the first half of 2026 to see if there is any opportunity for ECOGAS to expand .

3. What has happened with our drone representation it never materialised
  - 3.1. This topic was not discussed, but we are not aware of anything happening with this CSTG at the moment.
4. ECAG and representing continued airworthiness at EASA
  - 4.1. This is an important issue for us to consider since ECAG is the only association with access to EASA who are able to represent continued airworthiness issues. There are continued questions being raised about the origin, membership, TOR's and the strategic objectives of the group. Unfortunately, ECAG cannot answer the simple questions above because for some time its European membership has diminished, and it is constituted from UK organisations. If we do not change the membership to a European profile then ECAG will be dissolved by EASA who are under pressure from OEM's and leasing companies to offer seats to them in this area. Therefore, I need to ask each of the ECOGAS board members to consider directing members in their country to use ECAG as their voice with EASA. **Action – All ECOGAS board members to approach their respective boards and see if this is something they would like to support.**
5. Our own succession plan and changes in the board of ECOGAS
  - 5.1. A number of us have acknowledged that we will be stepping down from our roles in the next couple of years , plus some of the younger members may potentially be moving onto new roles. The bottom line is that we really should be getting deputies in place in the next 9 months. Marc has confirmed that he would be able to support ECOGAS through 2026 even though he is no longer employed by BBGA. It is unlikely that Marc will continue beyond 2026 once a new team is in place.
6. The FNAM administration support of ECOGAS is not working as expected. We need someone to own this and make the FNAM admin team complete what is required, it does require active oversight.
  - 6.1. It appears that there is some reluctance by the new administration team at FNAM to undertake the task of administering the ECOGAS website. I confirmed to the team that when this was run by BBGA it was in fact a task that only required an hour every couple of months to ensure things were maintained. As I no longer work for BBGA I cannot utilise BBGA resources to rectify this issue. It seems that the ownership of the ECOGAS website by FNAM is not delivering what we had expected. We need to either make this work or find another solution.

7. We will look to hold a quick board meeting before the end of November to make sure all board members are happy with the points raised in these notes. It is important that both Francoise, Marcel and Cyril are party to these discussions.
  
8. To tie in with proposed board meetings for at least two of the members of the board (Denmark and Germany) we will look to hold our next full board meeting at the end of February either on the 25<sup>th</sup> or 26<sup>th</sup> , to be confirmed.

Regards,  
Marc Bailey  
President & Chairman of ECOGAS