

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN COMMERCIAL AVIATION AND THE ROLE OF CAASA IN THE FUTURE

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ABSTRACT

CAASA came into existence in the final year of World War II and has been a pivotal organisation in the development of the Commercial and General aviation sector over the past 75 years and counting. We bring industry needs into the regulator's decision making and government's policy development. We have seen the movement and regulatory development through the major aviation milestones including the jet age and soon we believe space travel bringing in recently the advent of space weather and significant rise of unmanned aviation.

This presentation will give insight to the areas of focus required both internationally and especially in sub-Saharan Africa to keep our industry at the forefront of innovation and a significant hub in global terms. The need to create efficiencies while incorporating sustainable fuel sources and evolving the movement of CARGO and people using a 4D trajectory ideology while creating employment in this new technological and digital age, is key.

Partnership with the Regulator and industry, as well as the educational institutions, to make decisions based on empirical evidence and visionary forward planning utilising the infra structure and human settlement factors, both current and projected, is a difficult yet necessary focal point.

This presentation will aim to highlight some of the challenges and possibly some of the thinking that needs to be incorporated into Government's thinking and decision making as we complete this next century.