

The focus and sub-themes for each edition (6 editions) will cover specific sub-sectors of the air transport industry. They will equally analyse the trends in global air transport industry and how these affect the industry in Africa. Features, articles and interviews on current aviation issues will be presented in the editions to keep our readers updated, and also maintain the Journal's role as a catalyst for aviation development and an authentic source of aviation business information. Essentially, every edition will, besides the focus, also endeavour to provide materials on all aspects of the air transport industry so as to broaden the scope and coverage of each edition beyond the main focus. This is designed to provide more value to our esteemed audience.

February - March

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Perspective

Meeting Emerging Challenges Of Airport Capacity In Africa

Evolving trends in airports industry increasingly highlight the essence of enhancing the capacity of airports in Africa. A number of key airports in Africa have made marked progress in boosting their capacity. Yet Africa-wide capacity build-up is still to be realized for the airports sector. And strategic considerations for choosing between raising new airports and expanding on existing airports need to be well thought through in the bid to enlarge

airports capacity in Africa. It is also critical to adopt effective management models to drive airports capacity enhancement initiatives on the continent. The February edition of the **Journal** will focus on innovative ways of addressing the capacity needs in the African airports industry.

Adapting Ground-Handling Operations To New Trends In Africa's Air Transport Market

The air transport industry globally is evolving. In the process, enhanced systems of operation are being introduced to improve service delivery and reduce wastages. Because the groundhandling sub-sector is vital to ensuring safety, security and facilitation, it becomes essential to align this sub-sector with trends that would provide enhanced benefits for the air transport industry in Africa. Already, due to recorded loses associated with inefficiency in groundhandling, the International Air Transport Association (IATA) is promoting an audit system for ground handling which is envisaged to reduce unnecessary losses. This edition would look at areas of ground handling operations that need to be improved in Africa, as well as effective and efficient systems that could be deployed to make the needed impact on the continent.

April - May

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Perspective

Meeting Newer Aircraft Requirements Among African Airlines

African airlines are facing the challenge of raising fleets with efficient aircraft to cut down on their fuel bills, shore up their bottomlines and also meet emerging ecological benchmarks. With the predominance of ageing aircraft on the continent, only widespread fleet renewal involving more airlines on the continent can create the needed impact in the industry. Thus, it is imperative for aircraft manufacturers and relevant participants in the industry to seek measures to help provide African airlines with efficient airplanes that would enable them operate with fuel and ecological efficiencies. It is also essential to provide effective maintenance and other support for the newer airplanes that must change the face of airline industry in Africa. This would help the airlines improve their performance in the increasingly liberalized and competitive African and global markets. This edition of the **Journal** will highlight critical issues in providing efficient and adequate number of airplanes for African airlines.

June - July

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Perspective

Air Traffic Services In Africa: Emerging Issues For Attention

Improved air traffic management is inevitable in Africa considering the growing traffic on the continent and the need to

boost aviation safety through efficient air traffic management. While there have been appreciable efforts to revamp air traffic management and facilities in Africa, parts of the continent are still devoid of effective surveillance and much of the CNS/ATM facilities on the continent do not conduce to efficient air traffic management and aircraft operations. The results are usually longer flight times between two points and extra fuel burn for airlines. This underscores the need to harmonize the CNS/ATM systems in Africa in accordance with current cost-effective and efficient technologies, bearing in mind also the emerging ICAO-backed initiatives to improve global air traffic management. In line with industry trends, this edition of the **Journal** will x-ray ways to improve air traffic management in Africa.

August - September

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Perspective

Local Funding Support As Means To Fast-Track Air Transport Development In Africa

Local financial institutions in Africa are taking up new roles in boosting funding for the aviation industry. Such new efforts are increasingly evident in the funding of aircraft and airport terminal as seen in West Africa, among other regions. Increased participation of African financial institutions would give more credence to local operators as they source international funding for their operations. The support of local financial institutions would also further enhance the utilization of the Cape Town Convention to acquire efficient aircraft among African airlines.

This edition of the **Journal** would evaluate the imperatives of increased participation of local financial institutions in partnership with international financial organizations in the efforts to bolster air transport development in Africa.

October - November

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Perspective

Evaluating Impact Of Safety Enhancement Strategies Among African States

The safety record in Africa is linked to the efficiency of oversight of regulatory bodies in the States. Though the safety record in Africa's air transport industry has been improving gradually in the last two years as seen in global safety reports and drastic reduction in accident rates in parts of Africa, there are still gaps in the oversight functions among States in Africa. The enhancement of safety record in Africa especially using new safety initiatives including the AFI Plan needs to be evaluated and accelerated further. And in line with renewed call by ICAO for improvement in safety oversight and adherence to ICAO regulations among States in Africa, it becomes essential to reposition States to be able to perform their safety-critical oversight obligations to impact on overall safety in air transport industry in Africa. This edition of the **Journal** focuses on the

essence of evaluating and improving safety and oversight among African States.

December 2009 -
January 2010

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Perspective

Boosting Performance Of African Airlines In A Liberalized Air Transport Market

Globalization and liberalization have continued to permeate the global as well as African air transport industry. This trend potentially has both advantages and down-sides for the air transport industry in Africa. Essentially, liberalization is largely in tune with the objectives of the Yamoussoukro Decision which some regions in Africa have set a timeline of 2009 to achieve. Considering the increased competition that will come with a liberalized air transport market, it is essential that African airlines realign their systems and operations in order to perform effectively and efficiently in the emerging market. This edition of the **Journal** will look at ways of stepping up the operations and competitiveness of African airlines and suggest ways of addressing obstacles that confront African airlines in the local and international marketplace.