

IATA Control Authorities Working Group (CAWG)

Presentation

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IATA CAWG Purpose

The IATA CAWG is an expert forum of airlines and governments that are working collaboratively to recommend solutions and develop best practices for border management and passenger facilitation

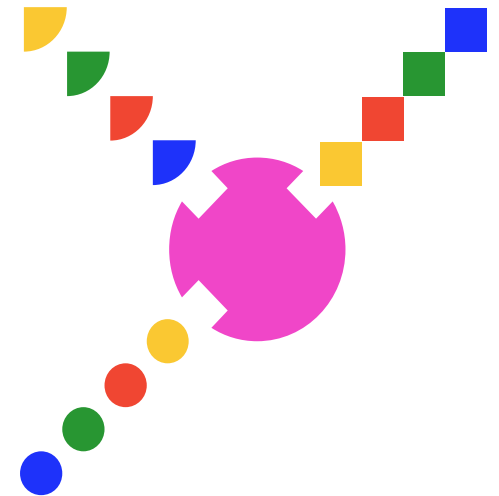
The positions and material developed by the IATA CAWG present a balanced perspective between the needs and limitation of both governments and the airline industry

The IATA CAWG seeks to find mutually acceptable solutions for harmonizing processes, enhance passenger facilitation and border controls and improve the risk assessment



CAWG History

- ❑ The IATA CAWG was established in 1987 (35+ years of existence) to address the issues of inadmissible and inadequately documented passengers
- ❑ Its main objective was to act as a complementary forum to the World Customs Organization (WCO) by bringing together immigration authorities from States and representatives of their national carriers to promote consistency of approach and cooperation
- ❑ Today, the IATA CAWG provides strategic direction and leadership for border control management and aviation facilitation matters
- ❑ The IATA CAWG is a unique forum to engage with the ICAO Facilitation Panel in bringing a balanced perspective in its proposal for new or revised Standards and Recommended Practices (SARPs)



CAWG Governance

- ❑ 18 countries with representatives from national agencies and airlines, as well as national trade associations
- ❑ The group is lead by a government and airline Co-Chair with a 2 to 3 year term
- ❑ Current Co-Chairs
 - U.S. Customs and Border Protection (US CPB)
 - Lufthansa
- ❑ Sub-groups are formed to work on specific topics. The ouput is endorsed by the whole group before being published and/or presented to the ICAO Facilitation Panel (FALP)



CAWG Members



Airlines

Austrian A.	Japan A.
Air Canada	KLM
Air France	Lufthansa
American A.	Luxair
British A.	SAS
Brussels A.	Swiss Airlines
Delta	TAP Air
Emirates	Portugal
Finnair	United A.
	Qantas



Governments

Australia	Luxembourg
Austria	The Netherlands
Belgium	Norway
Canada	Portugal
Denmark	Sweden
Finland	Switzerland
France	UAE
Germany	United Kingdom
Japan	United States



International Organization

International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)
International Organization for Migration (IOM)

Trade Associations

Airlines for America (A4A)
National Airlines Council of Canada (NACC)



Working Arrangements

Meetings – Twice a year

- Spring: Working Session
- Fall: Plenary Meeting, incl. a and a government-only meeting

Sub-Groups

- Created by members
- Scope document

Terms of reference

- Cover the rules and responsibilities of members, co-chairs, secretary
- Details the composition of the delegations
- Renewed every two years

Output

New SARPs for
ICAO Annex 9 -
Facilitation

Guidance for ICAO
Facilitation Manual
(Doc 9957)

Guidance and best
practices on
iata.org (Facilitation
Policy)

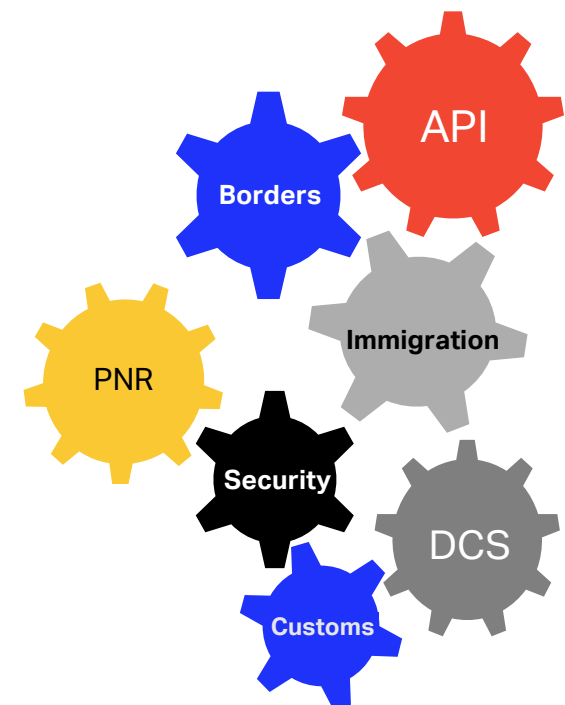


Results

▣ The IATA CAWG produces best practice and guidance material for both governments and airlines [CAWG Webpage](#)

- Best Practice Government Digital Health Platforms
- Guidelines for Collaboratively Improving Data Quality
- Challenges of Non-Adherence to Passenger Data Standards*
- Passengers Holding Multiple Passports*
- Passenger Data Non Standard Requirement *
- Advance Passenger Information (API) Statement of Principles*
- Guidelines for the Removal of Deportees *
- Guidelines for the Removal of Inadmissible Persons*
- Guidelines Relating to Persons Identified as Holding Fraudulent or Falsified Travel Documents
- Best Practices for Electronic Travel Systems (ETS)*
- Guidelines for Document Checks and Carrier Liability

* CAWG material that became Standards or Recommended Practices in ICAO Annex 9 - *Facilitation*





Active Sub-Groups

iAPI Best Practice

In partnership with the PAXLST WG

Lead: KLM

Inadmissible Passengers

Leads: Lufthansa

Digital ID, Biometrics and Legislative Framework

In partnership with One ID

Leads: Luxembourg and KLM

Electronic Visas and Travel Authorizations

Leads: CBSA and United

Crew Members and Visas (proposed)

To support the joint work of ICAO WGA9 and WGA17



Questions and more Information

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