IATA Center of Excellence for EU Aviation Security Validators
Background

- EC is rolling out legislation to further secure cargo coming into the EU from third countries
- Carriers stations in 3rd countries must be audited by independent validators
- Direct shippers, forwarders and handlers will also be audited to ensure cargo is secured upstream in the supply chain
- Other Countries e.g. Other QUAD countries (US, CA, AU) are poised to implement similar legislations
Issues and expectations

- Thousands carrier stations will have to be audited by July 2014+ (phased in approach) and re-audited (5 years)
- Airlines are concerned with significant costs and meeting deadlines and are asking IATA for a solution
- Other parties (direct shippers, forwarders and handlers) will have to be validated if they wish to apply security measures
- Some EU Member States are also concerned about meeting deadlines and want industry support (e.g. IATA)
Solution (within an IATA environment)

IATA a “Center of Excellence” for Independent Validators

1. **Regulators**
   - Receive request from candidates
   - Perform candidates background checks
   - Provide candidates authorization to take training
   - Recommend authorized organizations that provide training (including IATA)
   - Certify the trainers & validators that pass the exam

2. **IATA**
   - Develop three training contents for trainers, validators (validated by Regulators) & airlines/GHAs
   - Develop certification criteria for trainers & validators exams (validated by Regulators)
   - Train the trainers & validators (potential regulators personal support) as well as airlines/GHAs
   - Certify the trainers & validators that pass the exam
   - Manage a database of certified trainers & validators

3. **IATA**
   - Develop the pre-validation assessment training and toolkit
   - Develop a standard validation methodology and assessment tool
   - Scope countries and stations that need validation
   - Manage database of secure operators (Reg. Agents and Known Consignors)

4. **AIRLINE/GHA**
   - Manage the deployment of the validators (ensuring certificates and background checks are valid)
   - Assure quality of validation reports
   - Ensure validator communicates validation reports to Regulators and obtain accreditation

5. **IATA**
   - Scope countries and stations that need re-validation and resources required
   - Manage database of secure operators (Reg. Agents and Known Consignors)

6. **AIRLINE/GHA**
   - Manage the deployment of the re-validation
   - Assure quality of re-validation reports
   - Ensure validator communicates re-validation reports to Regulators and obtain accreditation

* Other activities will also have to be repeated as required e.g. background checks, certification
Benefits

Regulators, Industry and IATA would benefit from the IATA Center of Excellence for Independent Validators:

- Regulators would have a reliable approach to have independent validators auditing airlines and other parties
- Industry would have less costs as validations will be “mutualized” and potentially part of other audit programs
- IATA would serve its members helping them to meet new cargo security regulations
- The program could be expanded to validate handlers, forwarders and direct shippers
- The program could meet the core requirements of other Regulators
IATA Center of Excellence

- For Independent Validators and IATA Members
- Comply with EU legislation on ACC3 and potential future requirements for other countries
- Cost effective solution for sharing validation costs between airlines
Vision

A cost effective solution to improve air cargo security in compliance with Regulation without disrupting the flow of cargo