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European Aviation Safety Agency

Aviation – Experience from applying Occurrence Reporting

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- Short Introduction to EASA
- Why Occurrence Reporting?
- EASA experience with occurrence reporting
- Key success factors and challenges for an occurrence reporting system



Introduction to EASA



The EU aviation system





EASA facts and figures

Established
2002

10 years+
in operation

750

aviation experts
& administrators



Headquarters in
Cologne
Office in
Brussels

32 EASA member states
= 28 + 4
EU + Switzerland, Norway
Iceland, Liechtenstein

Safety significantly affects all aviation domains:

Total System Approach

Airworthiness

**Operations
& FCL**

**3rd Country
Operations**

Aerodromes

ATM/ANS



Why Occurrence Reporting?



Why Occurrence Reporting?

- For Prevention of Accidents and Serious Incidents

How?

- Occurrence Data can reveal directly high risk safety issues
- Occurrence Data can constitute accident precursors
- Occurrence Data can be used for risk assessment of already identified safety issues



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- Example: A380 uncontained engine failure 4 Nov 2010





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- Example: B737 crash in Amsterdam 2009 (history of radio-altimeter failures)





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- Example: A320 repetitive occurrences of fan cowl loss (maintenance error)



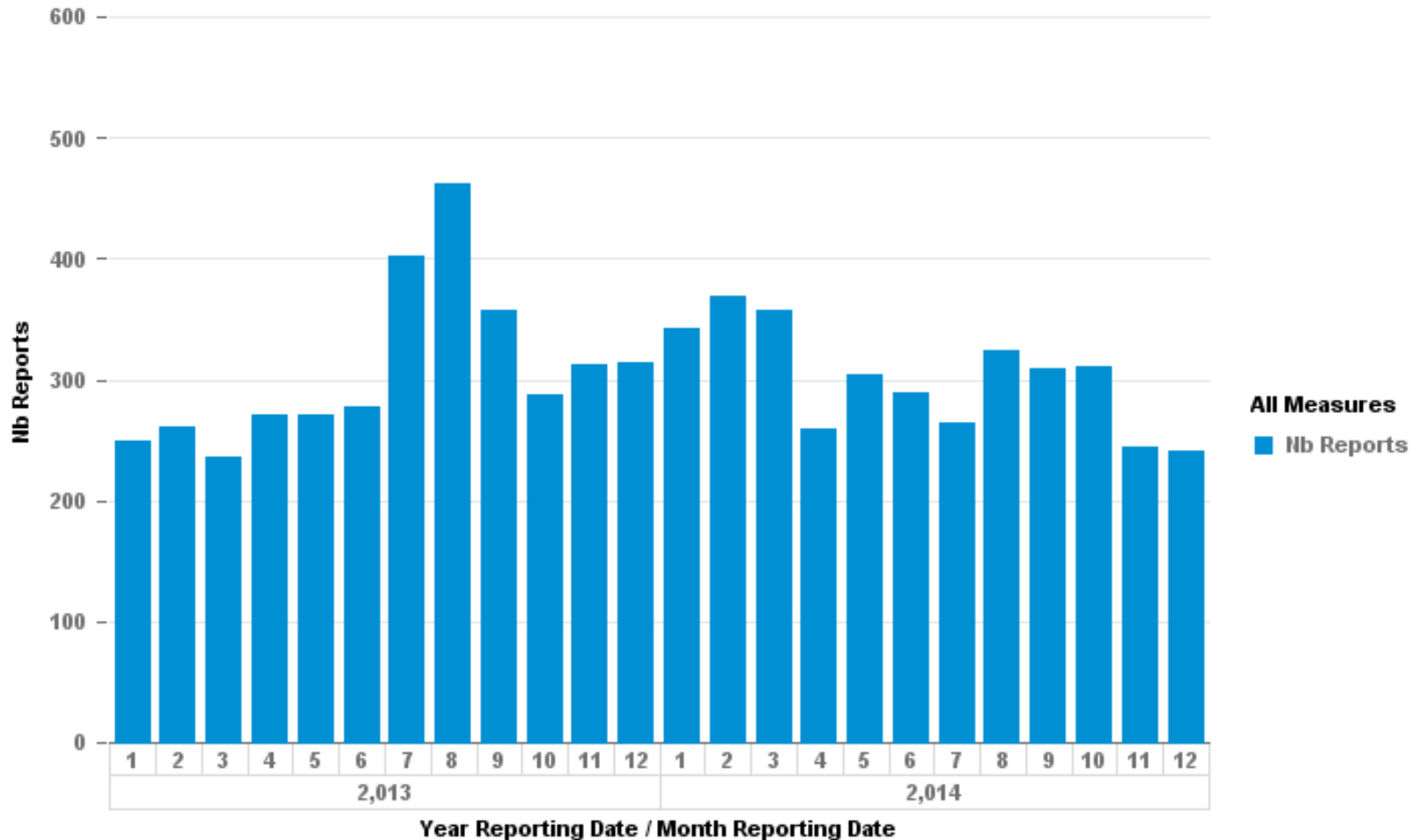


EASA Experience with Occurrence Reporting



Occurrences reported directly to EASA

Monthly reports 2013-2014 / Reporting status





Safety Actions taken by EASA (mainly design related)

	2014
Airworthiness Directives	281
Safety Information Bulletins	35

EASA AD No.: 2014-02791

EASA	AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVE
	AD No.: 2014-02791 Date: 29 May 2014
<p>Note: This Airworthiness Directive (AD) is issued by EASA, acting in accordance with Regulation (EU) No. 1825/2003 on behalf of the European Commission, by Member States and of the European Central Bank pursuant to the decision of EASA under Article 96 of that Regulation.</p> <p>This AD is issued in accordance with EU 1825/2003, Part 21.A.38. In accordance with EU 1825/2003 Annex I, Part M.A.381, the continuing airworthiness of an aircraft shall be ensured by accomplishing any applicable AD. Consequently, no person may operate an aircraft to which an AD applies, except in accordance with the requirements of this AD, unless otherwise specified by the Agency (EU 1825/2003 Annex I, Part M.A.382) or agreed with the authority of the State of Registry (EU 1825/2003, Article 18(6), paragraph 1).</p>	
Design Approval Holder's Name:	Type/Model designation(s):
ARBUS	A330 and A340 aeroplanes
TCDS Numbers:	EASA.A.004 and EASA.A.015
Foreign AD:	Not applicable
Revision:	This AD replaces EASA AD 2014-0207 dated 27 November 2014.
AIA 27	Flight Controls – Trimable Horizontal Stabilizer Actuator – Identification / Replacement
Manufacturer(s):	Airbus (formerly Airbus Industrie)
Applicability:	<p>Airbus A330-201, A330-202, A330-203, A330-2031, A330-203F, A330-300, A330-300F, A330-301, A330-302, A330-303, A330-3031, A330-303F, A330-3031, A330-3032, A330-3033, A330-3034 and A330-3035 aeroplanes, all manufacturer serial numbers (MSNs).</p> <p>Airbus A340-211, A340-212, A340-213, A340-311, A340-312, A340-313, A340-601, A340-602, A340-603 and A340-604 aeroplanes, all MSNs.</p>
Reason:	<p>During endurance qualification tests on Trimable Horizontal Stabilizer Actuator (THSA) of another Airbus aeroplane type, a partial loss of the no-brake brake (NBB) efficiency was experienced. Due to THSA design similarity on the A330/A340 fleet, a similar partial loss of the NBB efficiency was identified on THSA Part Number (PN) 47147 as installed on A330-300 and A340-200-300 aeroplanes, on THSA PN 47173 as installed on A330-200-300 and A340-200-300 aeroplanes, and on THSA PN 47175 as installed on A340-500/600 aeroplanes.</p> <p>Investigation results corroborated that this partial loss of braking efficiency in some specific aerodynamic test conditions was due to polishing and subsequent loss of the NBB carbon friction disks.</p> <p>This condition, if not detected and corrected and in conjunction with the power gear train not able to keep the ball screw in its last commanded position, could lead to uncommanded movements of the THS, possibly resulting in loss of control of the aeroplane.</p>

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EASA SIB No.: 2014-32



EASA Safety Information Bulletin

SIB No.: 2014-32
Issued: 09 December 2014

Subject: Safety Information Related to Alleged Examination Fraud at Part-147 Maintenance Training Organisation HATA

Ref. Publications: European Commission Regulation (EC) No. 216/2006

- Article 14(1) – Flexibility provisions: Member States' reactions to safety problems.
- Article 15(1) to 10(4) – Oversight and enforcement: Exchange of information for enforcement actions, taking measures to prevent the continuation of an infringement, cooperation for ensuring compliance with the regulations.
- Article 15(1) – Information network.

EC No. 216/2006, Part 66.B.500 – Revocation, suspension or limitation of the aircraft maintenance licence.

Applicability: All Competent Authorities (CA) and the aviation industry

Description: The Hellenic Civil Aviation Authority (HCAA) has informed the aviation community of the revocation of the Part-147 maintenance training organisation approval of the Hellenic Aviation Training Academy (HATA), EL 147 0007, because of alleged examination fraud at this organisation. In addition, the HCAA has cancelled the certificates of recognition (CoR) issued by HATA for the module exams where cheating has been confirmed, and will provide a list containing details of candidates who passed suspect module exams during the period where fraud was allegedly committed.

The investigation by the Greek Authorities of the validity of all the suspect CoR issued by HATA during that period is not yet complete and may take a significant period of time.

There is a probability that CoR, which were issued by HATA on the basis of alleged fraudulent activities, have been used by applicants to gain Part-66 licences anywhere in the EASA States, or in other States that recognise Part-147 CoR. Consequently, there is an immediate cause of concern that persons could have been issued licences and are exercising certification privileges or releasing aircraft after maintenance without having the required basic knowledge to do so.

This is information only. Recommendations are not mandatory.

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Using occurrence data for building safety risk management for the EU Aviation System

Safety Issue Identification

Analysis of occurrence data

Analysis of other information

Emerging Safety Issues

Safety Issue Assessment

Scope
Causes
Consequences
Risk Controls

Risk Assessment
(using ARMS when possible)

Safety Action Programming

Definition of Actions

Impact assessment, prioritisation

Follow-up of implementation

Safety Performance

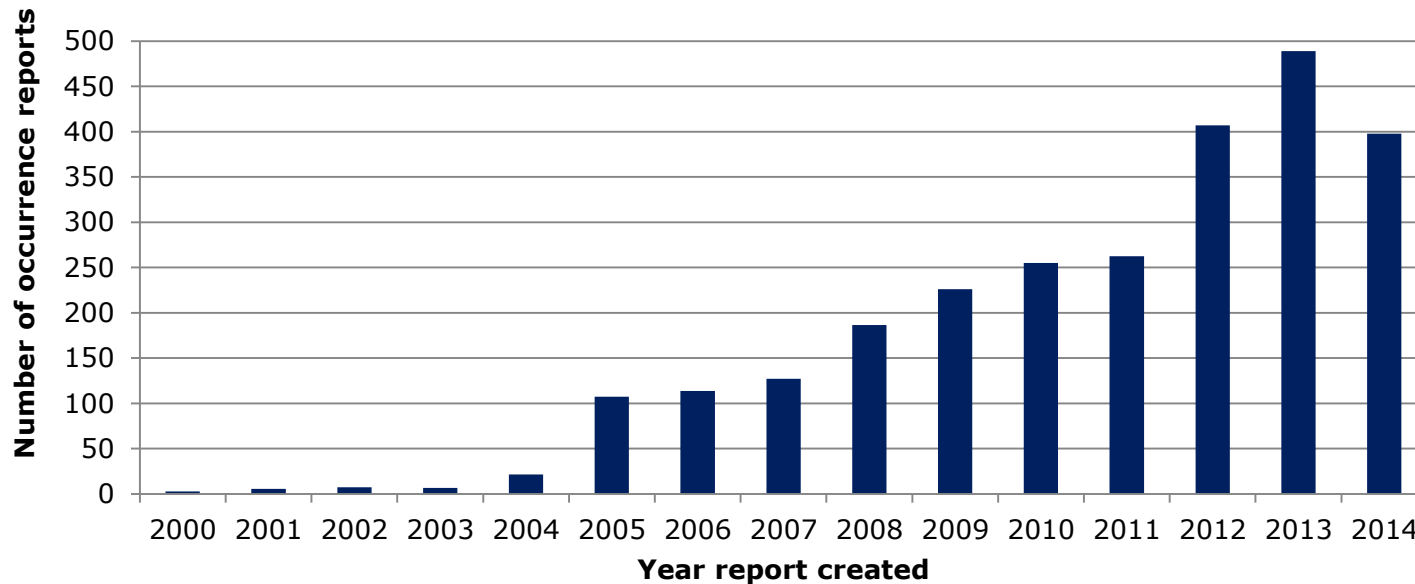
Indicators relevant for monitoring the safety issue

Indicators relevant for measuring efficiency of actions



Looking ahead: using data from the European Central Repository (ECR)

Average number of occurrence reports integrated daily in the ECR





Key Success Factors and Challenges



Key Success Factors and Challenges of an occurrence reporting system

➤ Key Success Factors

- Just Culture, Trust in the occurrence reporting system
- Collecting Large Amounts of Data / Data Sharing
- Integration within a comprehensive risk assessment process
- Taking the right safety actions in response to uncovered safety issues

➤ Key Challenges

- Under-reporting
- Data quality, completeness
- Language
- Providing feedback to reporters



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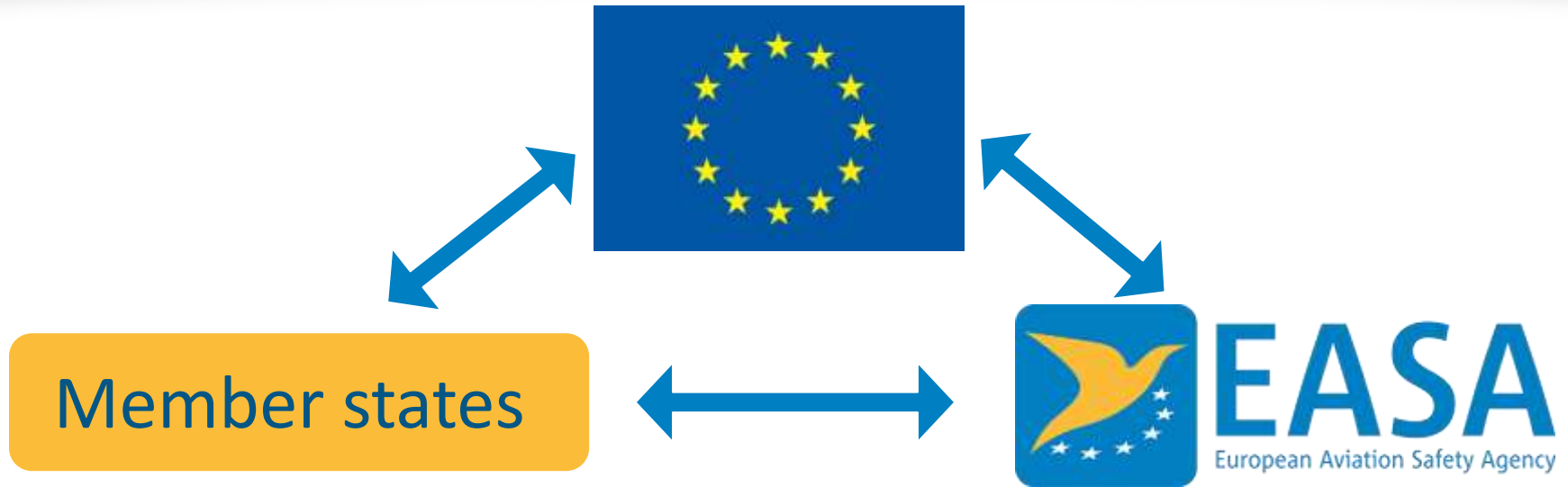
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- Ensure the highest common level of safety protection for EU citizens
- Ensure the highest common level of environmental protection
- Single regulatory and certification process among Member States
- Facilitate the internal aviation single market & create a level playing field
- Work with other international aviation organisations & regulators



Partnership with EU States

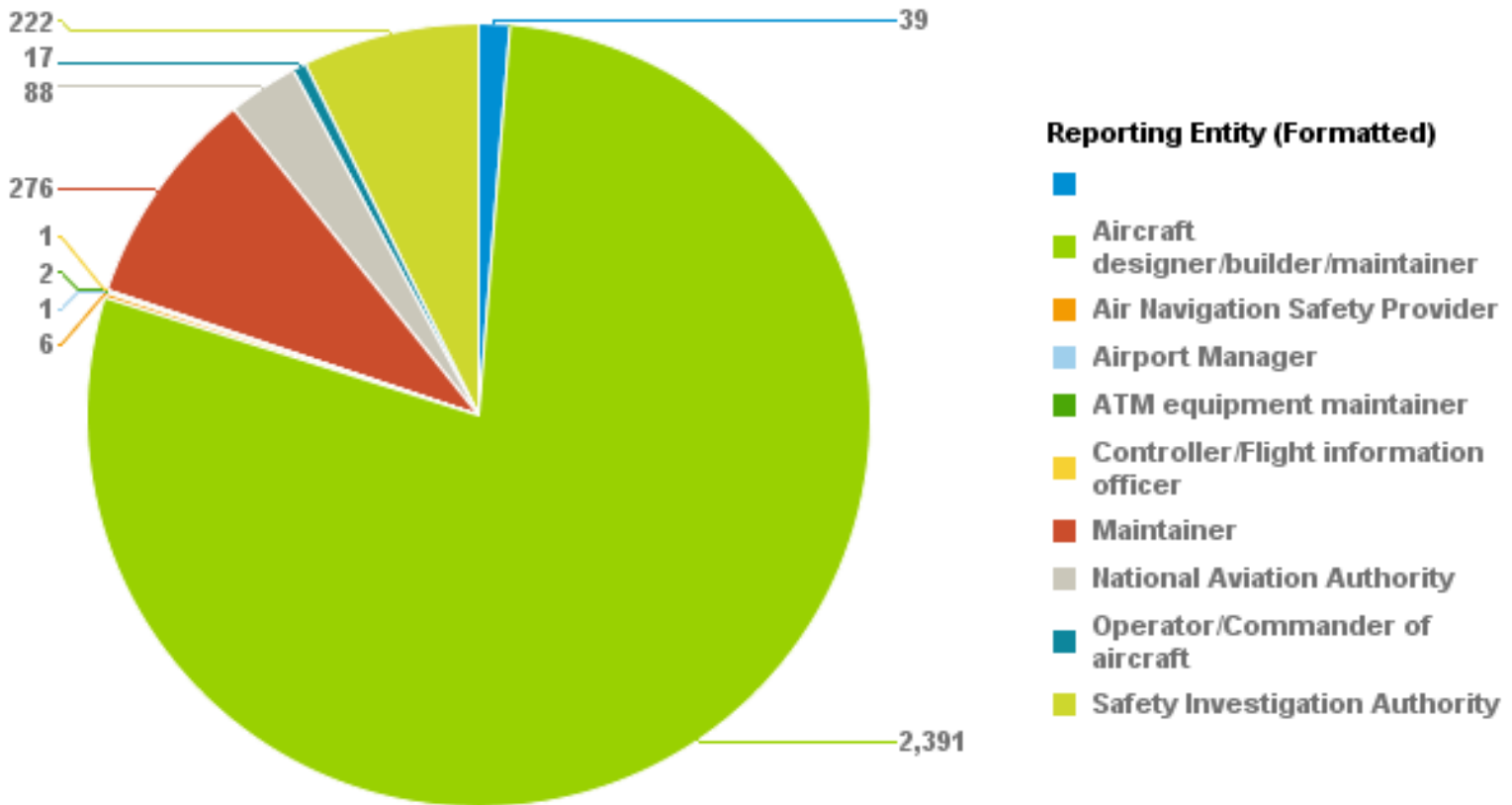


- Implementing EU Legislation
- Oversight of national organisations
 - Production
 - Maintenance
 - OPs/Licencing
 - Training
 - ATM
 - Aerodromes

- Implementing rules
- Oversight of Member States
- Aircraft and products certification
- Safety of non-EU operations
- Approval of non-EU organisations
 - *Production*
 - *Maintenance*
 - *Training*
 - *ATM*



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The framework of Regulation (EU) 376/2014



Regulation EU 376/2014 on reporting and analysis of occurrences

What are the objectives of the Regulation?

- To improve aviation safety by ensuring that relevant civil aviation safety information is reported, analysed and followed-up
- To ensure continued availability of safety information through Just Culture

To what kind of event does it apply?

- 'occurrence' means any safety-related event which endangers or which, if not corrected or addressed, could endanger an aircraft, its occupants or any other person and includes in particular an accident or serious incident;

To who does it apply?

- The Member States
- EASA
- Organisations established in a MS
- Natural persons



Topology of occurrence data-European Central Repository

