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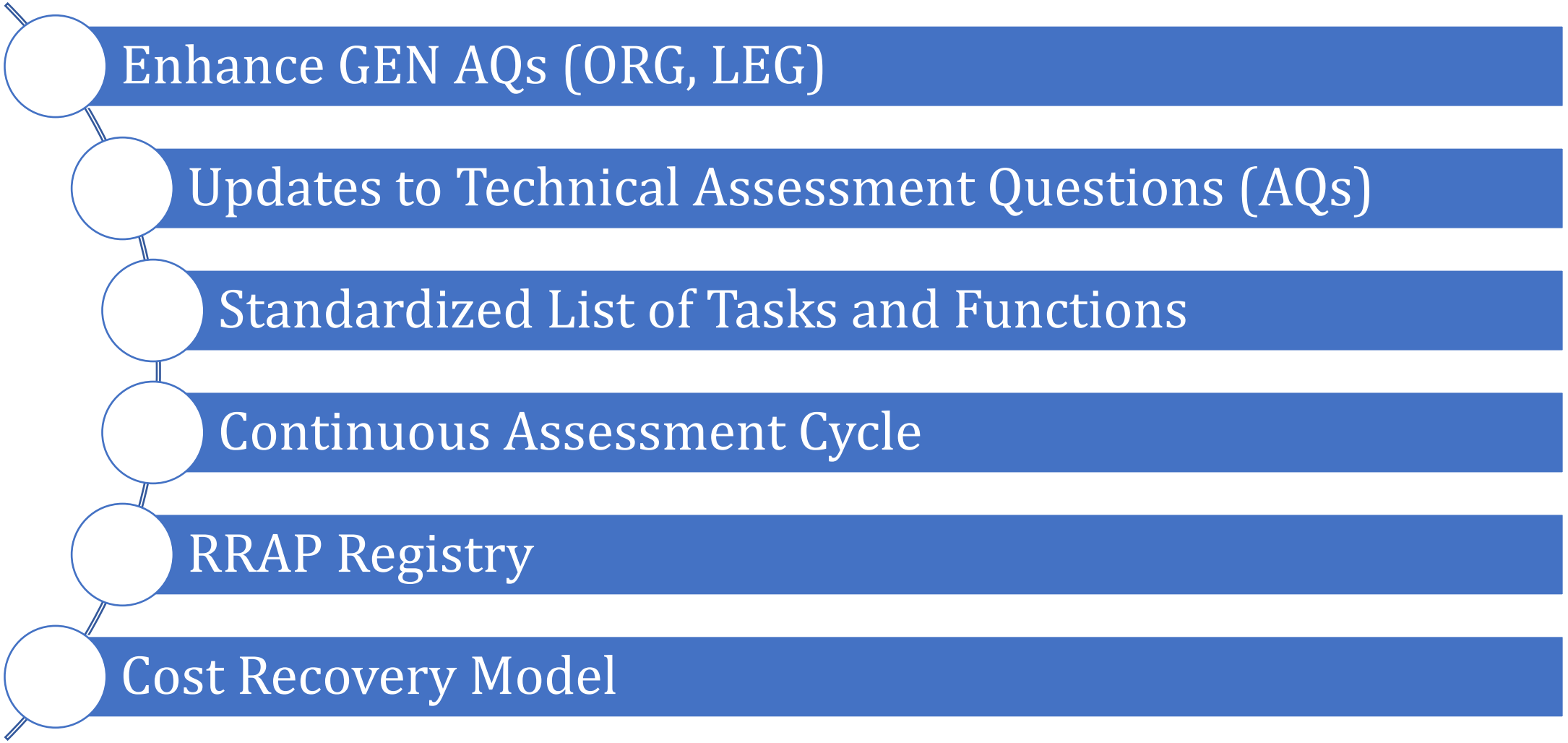
Update on the RRAP



From GASOS to RRAP

	GASOS (2017-2024)	RRAP (2024-Present)
Core Participants	Private/Commercial entities, State CAAs, and Regional Organizations	Focus only on regional organizations (RSOOs and RAIOs)
Delegation Levels	Level 1: Advisory Level 2: Operational Assistance Level 3: Certifying Functions	Level 1: Advisory Level 2: Operational Execution ~~*Level 3: Certifying Functions (USOAP)*~~
Product	Marketplace directory of service providers (private and regional)	Assessment based on USOAP Audit methodology. Results are shared with Member States of regional organizations

Current RRAP Changes in Development



New Standardized Tasks and Functions

Area	Oversight Activity	Delegated Function	Task
SECTION 1: FOUNDATIONAL SAFETY OVERSIGHT FUNCTIONS (consolidated)			
GEN	General	Primary Aviation Legislation	Draft new and amended primary aviation legislation under direct CAA oversight to establish the legal safety framework.
GEN	General	Specific Operating Regulations	Draft new and amended specific operating regulations under direct CAA oversight to transpose ICAO Annexes.
GEN	General	Safety Oversight Organization and Staff	Establish minimum staffing levels and define clear organizational responsibilities for technical domains.
GEN	General	Technical Staff Competence	Train civil aviation safety inspectors and technical personnel through initial, OJT, and recurrent programs.
GEN	General	Credentials and Legal Empowerments	Issue official inspector credentials that formally empower States' right-of-access under direct CAA oversight.
GEN	General	Technical Guidance and Systems	Develop and control standardized inspectors' manuals, checklists, and secure IT record-keeping systems.
SECTION 2: AIRCRAFT OPERATIONS (OPS) TECHNICAL SAFETY OVERSIGHT FUNCTIONS (Delegable Tasks)			
OPS	Authorization	Air Operator Certificate (AOC)	Process applications and evaluate technical fitness, including review of the Operations Manual, flight safety documents system, organizational structure, and coordination arrangements, for the issuance of an AOC and associated Operations Specifications under direct CAA oversight.
OPS	Surveillance	Air Operator Certificate (AOC)	Conduct continuous surveillance, audits, and ramp inspections of AOC holders and foreign air operators to verify ongoing compliance with regulations and operations specifications, coordinating across technical departments and monitoring financial conditions.
OPS	Resolution	Air Operator Certificate (AOC)	Track identified deficiencies of AOC holders and foreign air operators, validate corrective action plans, and recommend enforcement referrals to the CAA if safety concerns remain unresolved.
OPS	Authorization	Specific Operations Approvals	Evaluate and approve specific operational authorizations, including EDTO, PBN, RVSM, and single-engine turbine operations at night or in IMC, and conduct operations evaluations for CAT II/III instrument approaches.
OPS	Authorization	Air Operator Training Programmes	Review and approve flight crew, cabin crew, and flight dispatcher training programmes, including flight data analysis and security training, prior to the issuance of an AOC.
OPS	Surveillance	Air Operator Training Programmes	Conduct continuous surveillance and audits of air operator training facilities, simulators, and instructor and examiner competency for cabin crew and flight dispatchers.
OPS	Authorization	Fatigue Risk Management System (FRMS)	Evaluate and approve variations to prescriptive limits or an air operator's Fatigue Risk Management System (FRMS) based on safety risk assessments.

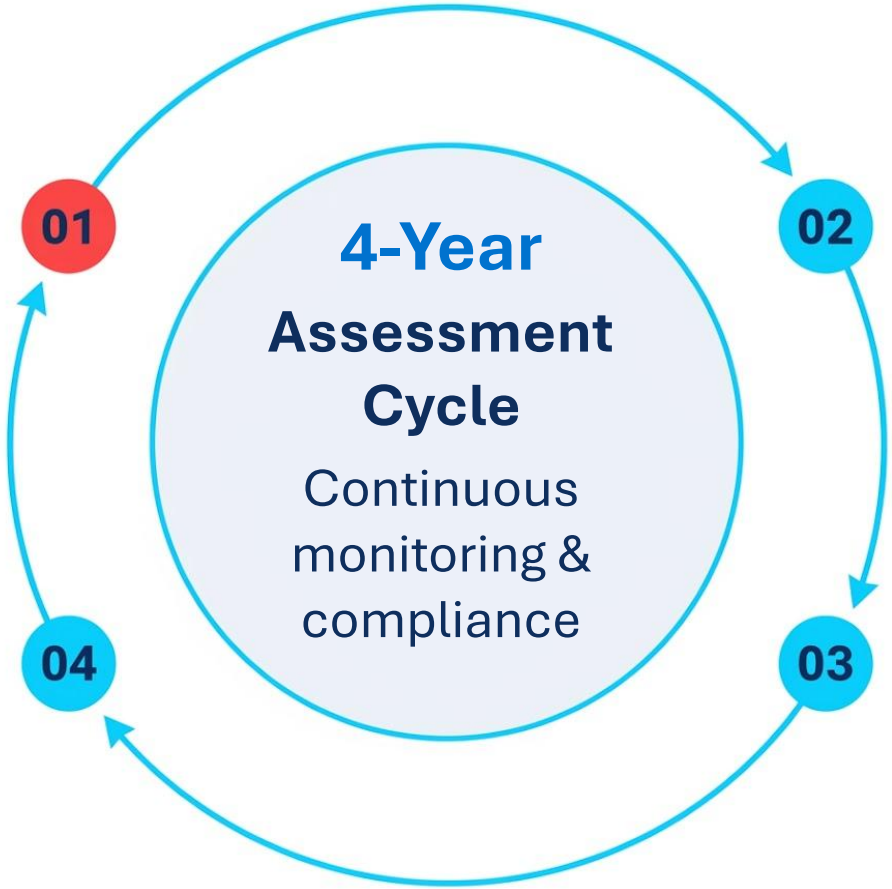
Delegation: Function/Task vs. Levels

		EXAMPLE FUNCTION/TASK		
		GEN: Primary Aviation Legislation **Draft and amend aviation legislation**	OPS: Air Operator Certification **Technical evaluation of operations manuals & docs**	AIG: Final Investigation Reports **Draft, compile, and consult on final investigation reports**
DELEGATION LEVEL	Level 1: **Advisory**	RSOO/RAIO provides model or draft aviation legislation, conducts gap analyses against the Chicago Convention and ICAO Annexes, and advises the CAA on drafting statutory amendments.	RSOO provides manual review checklists and delivers consultative technical advice to State flight operations inspectors evaluating the operator's submission.	RAIO provides report drafting templates and reviews draft final investigation reports prepared by State investigators, providing technical feedback and comments.
	Level 2: **Operational Assistance**	RSOO/RAIO manages the drafting process and delivers a completed, State-specific legislative package with consolidated comments; the State reviews and enacts the statute.	RSOO performs the complete technical evaluation of the applicant's manuals (SOPs, flight safety document systems) and delivers a formal acceptance recommendation to the CAA.	RAIO compiles the draft final report, manages the formal 60-day Annex 13 State consultation, and delivers the finalized draft report to the State for official adoption and release.
	Level 3: **Certifying & Full Investigation**	RSOO/RAIO exercises treaty-conferred authority to issue binding aviation regulations with legal effect across Member States.	RSOO directly approves and accepts the operations manuals and issues the Air Operator Certificate and Operations Specifications directly to the airline.	RAIO formally approves, signs, and issues the final accident investigation report directly to ICAO and the public on its own authority.

RRAP Process - Clear and Effective Assurance

Application & MOU

Application submitted, agreement signed with ICAO



On-Site Mission

Assessment conducted based on scope of activities of RSOO/RAIO

CAP Implementation

Work to complete CAP within 36 months

Assessment Report

Final report issued and shared

Thank you

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