

CANSO OSC Connect 2026

2-5 February 2026



Our programme

Day One: 2 February

The Now: Industry Status and Regional Voices

08:00-09:00	Registration Participants will receive a table number at registration , which will correspond to round-table assignments for discussions throughout the day.
09:00 – 09:15	Welcome & Introductory Remarks Speakers: Nicki Harricharan , Operations Programme Manager, CANSO Maartje Van Der Helm , Chair, CANSO Operations Standing Committee Steering Group
09:15 – 09:45	Keynote Address – Setting the Scene for Global Operational Transformation This opening address will set the strategic tone for OSC Connect 2026 by exploring

	<p>the global drivers shaping air navigation and operational transformation. It will highlight key regional and global priorities and challenges facing the aviation community, while emphasising the significant role of the human element in navigating change.</p> <p>The address will frame the discussions that follow, supporting participants as they produce a shared vision for resilient, future ready operational excellence.</p> <p>Speaker: Ahmed Al Jallaf, Assistant Director General, Air Navigation Services UAE – GCAA and OSC Champion, CANSO Board of Directors</p>
09:45 – 10:30	<p>Executive Forum: Skies in Transition <i>Panel and Interactive Session: Operations, Innovation, and Safety at the Forefront</i></p> <p>Moderator: Maartje Van Der Helm, Chair, CANSO Operations Standing Committee Steering</p> <p>Group Panellists: Hamad Rashid Al Belushi, Senior Expert – Air Traffic Management, GCAA Lakisha Price, Acting Vice President of System Operations Services, FAA ATO MP Berman, Vice-Chair, CANSO Operations Standing Committee Steering Group Anthony MacKay, Chair, CANSO Safety Standing Committee Steering Group William Estrada, Senior Director, ATM Product Manager, Leidos</p>
10:30 – 11:00	Networking Break
11:00 – 12:00	<p>Regional Dialogue: What’s Happening on the Ground – From Global Strategy to Regional Impact</p> <p>This dynamic session will feature short video messages from CANSO Regional Directors from Africa, Asia Pacific, Latin America and the Caribbean, Europe, and the Middle East, providing firsthand insights into regional priorities, challenges, and progress.</p> <p>Building on these perspectives, participants will engage in facilitated roundtable discussions focused on how the Operations Programme can better translate global strategies into tangible regional impact, and which regional challenges require stronger global support.</p> <p>Table leads will guide the discussions at each table, with insights reported back to shape future coordination and action.</p> <p>Roundtable discussions:</p>

	<p>How can the operations programme help translate global strategies into regional impact?</p> <p>What regional challenges need global support?</p> <p>Moderator: MP Berman, Vice-Chair, CANSO Operations Standing Committee Steering Group</p>
12:00 – 13:00	Networking Lunch
13:00 – 14 :15	<p>A Shared Path Forward: Safety, ICAO & CATS Across the OSC Community</p> <p>Safety, ICAO, and CATS representatives will each deliver a 20 minute briefing, followed by a five-minute Q&A, to engage participants and stimulate forward looking discussion on future workplans, regional collaboration, and alignment with global programs.</p> <p>The session will provide a shared understanding of current developments in Safety, ICAO, and CATS, linking ICAO Assembly outcomes, GANP and ASBU developments, and the CATS CONOPS, including the minimum implementation path with CANSO's strategic priorities for 2026 and beyond.</p> <p>Participants will explore how safety and operations can be better aligned, how global direction translates into regional action, and how OSC workgroups enable coordinated and collaborative work for the future of ATM. Further engagement will continue during networking breaks and Day 2 workgroup sessions.</p> <p>Speakers : Eduardo Garcia, Senior Manager, Future Skies, CANSO Michelle Bishop, Director of Programmes, CANSO John Wennes, Safety Programme Manager, CANSO</p>
14:15 – 14:45	Networking Break
14:45 – 16:15	<p>Education & Digital Transformation: Demystifying TBO, SWIM, FF-ICE & ATFM – From Concept to Implementation</p> <p>This interactive education session, led by the Trajectory Based Operations (TBO) Readiness Taskforce Chairs and extended to incorporate SWIM, FF-ICE, and ATFM, will unpack the core concepts of each area and its digital and operational enablers.</p> <p>Moving beyond the buzzwords, the session will clarify how TBO, SWIM, FF-ICE, and ATFM work together to support seamless information exchange, collaborative decision-making, and demand capacity balancing.</p>

	<p>Participants will explore how these capabilities link directly to the Operations Programme workgroups and regional priorities through guided discussion and real-world examples.</p> <p>The session will conclude with an interactive roundtable Q&A focused on one key question: How can education on TBO, SWIM, FF-ICE, and ATFM be effectively scaled?</p> <p>Speakers: Blake Cushnie, Director Airspace and European Programmes, NAV CANADA Sherry Yang, Senior Manager, Boeing Technology Innovation, Boeing Lisa Bee, Director – Air Traffic Services, Viasat Wayne Osse, Chief Architect, Global Aviation and Transport, Solace Jean-Luc Thirion, Technical Advisor, DSNA Alan Li, Senior Electronics Engineer, HKCAD Stuart Ratcliffe, Product Manager AireonFLOW, Aireon Sugoon Fucharoen, ATFM/CDM Specialist, AEROTHAI</p>
16:15 – 16:30	<p>Closing Reflections</p> <p>Speaker: Maartje Van Der Helm, Chair, CANSO Operations Standing Committee Steering Group</p>

Day two: 3 February

Activating Collaboration: Safety, CATS, and Workgroup Synergy

08:00 – 10:00	Meeting 1 Operations Standing Committee Steering Group Meeting Meeting 2 Non-CANSO Members meeting to discuss GreenATM, Safety, CATS CONOPS (Eduardo, Michelle, John) Meeting 3 Breakout to Operations Workgroup Meetings
10:00 – 10:30	Networking Break
10:30 – 12:00	Operations Workgroup Meetings
12:00 – 13:00	Networking Lunch
13:00 – 14:30	Operations Workgroup Meetings
14:30 – 15:00	Networking Break
15:00 – 16:00	Operations Workgroup Meetings
17:00 – 21:45	Festival and Dinner 17:00: bus departs 18:00 – 19:30 Festival 19:30 – 21:30 Dinner 21:45 – Buses depart to Hotel

Day three: 4 February

Building Capacity and Shaping the Future

09:00 – 09:05	Welcome and Recap of Day 2 Speaker: MP Berman , Vice-Chair, CANSO Operations Standing Committee Steering Group
09:05 – 10:30	Leadership Development and Change Management Workshop: Building the future of the CANSO Operations Programme together while sustaining today's operational delivery, this session focuses on leading through change, maintaining continuity, and modelling collaborative leadership, regardless of role or title. Speaker: Conor Mullan, Managing Director, Think Research
10:30 – 11:00	Networking Break
11:00 – 12:30	Leadership Development and Change Management Workshop: Continued
12:30 – 13:30	Networking Lunch
13:30 – 15:00	Advanced Air Mobility (AAM) Workshop Preparing for Integration of New Entrants: A highly interactive, multi-disciplinary session bringing ANSPs and our industry together to build a shared understanding of global AAM developments, explore what “integration” really means in practice, and identify the minimum operational, safety, and digital requirements needed to safely enable AAM within existing ATM environment. Speakers: Eduardo Garcia , Senior Manager, Future Skies, CANSO Elizabeth Chau , Head of UTM Strategic Development, NATS Alan Chapman , Director, RPAS Traffic Management, NAV CANADA Brandon Lint , Regulatory Affairs and Certification Specialist, SkyGrid

15:00 – 15:30	Networking Break
15:30 – 16:45	Advanced Air Mobility (AAM) Workshop continued
16:45 – 17:00	Closing Reflections Speaker: MP Berman , Vice-Chair, CANSO Operations Standing Committee Steering Group

Day four: 5 February

Reflection and Recognition

09:00 – 09:10	Welcome and Recap from Day three Speaker: Maartje Van Der Helm , Chair, CANSO Operations Standing Committee Steering Group
09:10 – 11:00	OSC Community Town Hall and Closing Session This final session brings the OSC community together to reflect on progress, align on what lies ahead, and formally close OSC Connect. The session begins with concise workgroup out briefs highlighting priority focus areas and deliverables for 2026 and beyond. The Community Town Hall then provides an open and candid forum to reflect on what worked, what did not, and how the OSC must adapt and accelerate moving forward, including an outlook toward 2027 and the introduction of the OSC Awards and peer recognition approach. The session concludes with recognition and appreciation of the OSC community, followed by closing reflections.
11:00 – 15:00	Depart for visit to the Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque. This tour will include lunch, and a visit to the Sheikh Zayed Air Navigation Centre.