

Instructor Biography



Ian WITTER

Course: Global Reporting Format (GRF), EASA Implementing Rules for Aerodromes

Ian has had an extensive airside operations career of 34 years experience primarily at Heathrow and Gatwick airports. He has led the airside operations teams, both ramp and manoeuvring area at both airports. At Heathrow he held the nominated post of Compliance Manager for the EASA aerodrome rules and chaired the Heathrow Airside Safety governance group.

Ian has been a member of the ICAO Aerodrome Design and Operations Panel and has chaired the ICAO Aerodrome Operations Working Group, owner of PANS Aerodromes. He was a member of the ICAO Friction Task Force representing ACI.

At ACI, he has chaired the ACI Europe Technical Operational Safety Committee and created the Safety Regulation Steering Group and the Aerodrome Rules Implementation Exchange. He was a member of the ACI Europe Environmental Strategy Committee. At ACI World, he was Chair of the Safety and Technical Standing Committee. As a qualified safety auditor, he has completed over 70 safety reviews across airports in eight different countries - and is an ACI APEX safety assessor.

Ian has also led work to create company performance standards encompassing several different sized airports and established a Safety KPI review with the respective accountable managers. He has expertise in Safety Management Systems, Runway Safety, Bird Hazard management.

He was a member of the original EASA Aerodromes Rulemaking group and until 2020 a member of the EASA Aerodrome Technical Committee since its inception.

He has moderated and spoken at numerous conferences including ICAO workshops, IATA safety conferences, ACI Exchanges and Safety events and the Eurocontrol Safety Forum. He has authored and co-written ICAO documentation, ACI Safety handbooks on a variety of subjects and European Action Plans on Runway Safety (EAPPRI and EAPPRE).

In 2021 Ian has a role for ACI Europe as the SESARJU liaison officer and supports safety related work of ACI Europe.

He is also a private consultant with a variety of clients

