



Enhancing airmail safety and security – Current trends and future directions

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Online via Zoom (in English)

This joint IATA–UPU webinar – the first to be organized in cooperation with ICAO – will focus on enhancing airmail security. It is the first of two webinars planned for 2025 on the topic of enhancing safety and security. By exploring current trends and future directions in the postal and aviation areas, this webinar will address the roles and regulations of each organization, the challenges of integrating postal and cargo systems, and the importance of collaboration among the postal, aviation and law enforcement sectors. Key topics will include the latest regulations, compliance requirements, strategies for handling dangerous goods and efforts in combating criminal activities in the postal system, with the goal of ensuring compliance and minimizing risks in the postal supply chain.

Programme

Opening remarks	Mr Marjan Osvald , Deputy Director General, UPU International Bureau
Enhancing aviation safety and security in cargo and mail	Ms Sonia Hifdi , Chief of the Aviation Security Policy Section, ICAO, and Mr Virgilio Alegría , Technical Officer in the Cargo Safety Section, ICAO
Ensuring postal security – an overview of UPU regulations and training programmes	Mr Jacob Gholson , Operations and Safety Expert, UPU International Bureau
Security in airmail	Mr Nicholas Lawrence-Taylor , Senior Manager for Cargo Security, IATA
Law enforcement training to reduce risks relating to hazardous goods	Ms Kirstine Pedersen , Coordinator of the INTERPOL Global Academy and Head of the International IP Crime Investigators College (IIPCIC), INTERPOL General Secretariat
Closing remarks	Mr Ján Bojnanský , Coordinator of the Postal Supply Chain, UPU International Bureau, and Mr Matthew Tang , Senior Manager for E-Commerce & Cargo Operations, IATA
Moderator	Mr Zoran Stevanović , Alternative Transport Solutions Expert, UPU International Bureau