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SINGLE EUROPEAN SKY CAA INFORMATION BULLETIN

The [Performance Scheme](#) Implementing Rule (IR) was published in the Official Journal of the European Union (OJEU) on 3 August. The accompanying amendments to the **Charging Regulation** will also be published in the OJEU later this year.

On the 2 August, the EUROCONTROL Performance Review Commission (PRC) launched the [formal consultation](#) on initial proposals for **EU-wide performance targets** for the first reference period (2012-2014) of the performance scheme. The consultation, which covers the key performance areas of safety, capacity, cost-efficiency and the environment, closes on 2 September. An *ad hoc* Single Sky Committee (SSC) meeting will be held on 27 October to agree the EU-wide targets to ensure they are published before the end of 2010.

In the meantime, National Supervisory Authorities (NSAs) are required to develop **National Performance Plans (NPPs)**, which must set national targets and demonstrate how these are consistent with the EU-wide performance targets. The CAA – as the UK NSA – has already begun work on the UK NPP and recently published a [General Information Brief](#) outlining how it will be produced and the proposed approach to stakeholder engagement. Further information, including consultation timelines, will, in due course, be published at www.caa.co.uk/npp. NPPs must be agreed by Member States and submitted to the Commission by the end of June 2011.

The Commission is currently working on the development of the Network Management Function (NMF) IR, the aim of which will be to ensure ATM network functions allow optimum use of airspace and ensure users can operate preferred trajectories, while allowing maximum access to airspace and air navigation services. This will primarily focus on the design of the European route network and coordination of scarce resources – in particular radio frequencies and SSR transponder codes. However, it will also contain provisions for a crisis coordination cell to respond to major European ATM network disruptions, such as the recent volcanic ash crisis. A draft IR is expected in late summer, and will be the subject of an SSC workshop on 7 September.

The next scheduled SSC meeting will be held in Brussels 20-21 September.

For the latest on EASA developments please refer to the [CAA EASA Information Bulletins](#).

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