

# The International Federation of Air Line Pilots' Associations



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To All Member Associations

Dear Colleagues,

As you will be aware, the Federation has been very actively involved in the development of Fatigue Risk Management Systems (FRMS) as an addition to a state's prescriptive Flight Time Limitations scheme. Much of this work has taken place at ICAO and you will know that this culminated in the publication of the ICAO FRMS Operators Manual that is a joint ICAO, IATA and IFALPA document.

The Federation has also been involved in the FRMS Forum; this organisation was created by the Aviation Industry to help member organisations introduce FRMS into their airlines. Membership of the Forum is open to any individual or organisation with a bona fide interest in the progressing and management of occupational alertness, and the membership includes airlines, regulators, members of the scientific community and employee groups such as IFALPA, as well as some of our individual Member Associations.

The Forum holds a conference once a year, which in 2012 takes place in late October, and to assist in setting the agenda for the conference, the Forum would like to survey regulators, operators and pilots on their knowledge of FRMS and also on some wider attitudes to fatigue. IFALPA has been asked to assist with the pilot section of the survey and this has been approved and fully supported by the IFALPA Executive Board.

Therefore I would very much appreciate all Member Associations encouraging their members to take part in this survey. It is being hosted on the FRMS website at:

[www.frmsc.com/survey/index.php?sid=58925&newtest=Y&lang=en](http://www.frmsc.com/survey/index.php?sid=58925&newtest=Y&lang=en)

It is anonymous and IFALPA will have the right to approve the results from the survey before they are used for any purpose.

The Federation has no doubt that FRMS will feature more and more widely in our industry in the future, and it is important that it is introduced properly and is an advance in the management of fatigue. IFALPA will continue to play a role to ensure that this happens and we see this survey as being an important tool in securing this objective. I am sure that you can be relied upon to encourage your pilots to participate and I thank you in advance for your support.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Don Wykoff', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Captain Don Wykoff  
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