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1.0 INTRODUCTION

This OAN is issued as a notification to operators with regards to the Safety Management System check conducted by the Flight Operations Inspectorate (FOI) as part of the oversight.

The EASA Management System Assessment tool promotes a common approach to management system assessment and continuous improvement of SMS across the different aviation domains, competent authorities and operators.

2.0 ASSESSMENT TOOL

One of the core capabilities required to support effective implementation of safety management is the ability to monitor the effectiveness of an organisation's management system. The EASA Management System Assessment tool is intended to support authorities with this task and thus the Flight Operations Inspectorate is replacing Check 13B.

The adapted tool will be included with the pre-audit questionnaire, and operators are required to self-assess and insert the documentary references.

2.1 Self-assessment

The assessment tool can also be used by operators to assess the effectiveness of their own Management System/SMS, for the purpose of continuous improvement. The resulting assessment could be discussed with the assigned FOI focal point, in order to obtain a common understanding of Management System/SMS effectiveness.

Operators could also use the tool to assess the Management System/SMS of subcontracted organisations.

Further tool guidance can be found on the EASA website:

https://www.easa.europa.eu/document-library/general-publications/management-systemassessment-tool

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