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### Impulse speech

### Creating a safety culture in day-to-day Operations

Bridging the gap between work-as-imagined and work-as-done

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#### Overview



- Perspectives on safety culture
- Safety culture in context
- Evaluating safety culture
- Working with safety culture
- Talking about safety culture









As a controller, you are uncomfortable with the safety implications of evolving local practices. Your colleagues are happy with how things are.

#### Do you raise the issue?

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Hazardous vo inside. Can shock, b or cause deat

Keep out. If open or unic

As an engineer, you are under time pressure to make a system work. Tely Ca e engineers use a workaround, but this l Some engineers use a workaround, but this has not been formally evaluated. We be be a been formally evaluated we be a solution of the solution and light comp

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As supervisor, you know that staff do not have time to read all of the new electronic briefing material. Management are pleased with the newly installed briefing system.

#### Do you try to resolve the issue?

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As an account administrator, you are responsible for paying invoices for airspace map updates. But you are short of time before the holidays. **Do you leave payment until your return?** 

As a manager, you are under intense pressure to increase cost-efficiency to hit a performance target. You are concerned about emerging safety implications.

#### How do you respond?

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## safetymatter Different perspectives

# Different pressures

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## Safety Culture in Context



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Priorities

Safety Culture

Management Commitment

What is the priority of safety for senior what is the priority or sately for senior management compared to other objectives?

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ATM safety has to be considered alongside capacity in the environment is senior manage ATM safety has to be considered alongside capacity, getting the balance right?

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# culture eats

# strategy for breakfast

Peter Drucker

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# safety culture

# safety management

for breakfast

eats

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safety management system

control & competence

commitment compliance

safety culture safety regulation



Management commitment to safety

Involvement in safety

#### **Reporting & Learning**



## **Evaluating Safety Culture**



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Blind spots

not being addressed sufficiently?

Sometimes problems seem so long-standing or difficult Sometimes problems seem so long-standing or difficult How can you help to make sure that safety problems are sure that safety problems are to resolve that they are ignored and become a blind soor How can you help to make sure that safety problems are

resolved rather than ignored;

Safety Culture

Risk Awareness & Management

Are you aware of ATM safety problems that are





# Operational & Organisational Safety All staff groups Strengths/Assets & Needs Work-as-Done vs Work-as-Imagined



#### European Safety Culture Programme 2003-2017





#### Key

2+ EUROCONTROL SC Surveys

1 EUROCONTROL SC Survey

Alternative SC Surveys

Unknown





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#### **EUROCONTROL Safety Culture Factors**









## Working with safety culture



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Safety Culture

Would you speak up to your manager if you

Authority should never prevent people from speaking up Authority should never prevent people from speaking up that we feel safe to speak up when we need to? when they notice something is wrong. How can use feel safe to speak up when we need to?

Responsibility

Speakup

had safety concerns?

Perverse incentives & arbitrary targets

Inconsistency & breach of trust

Fear & blame

Silos & group conflict

Senseless process

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# Culture Killers

## How is Work-as-done understood beyond the front-line?



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# Do field experts help design the work?

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# S UNDERSTAN How well are information flows working?

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# How diverse are Safety data sources?

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# Where are the boundaries of organisational learning?

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## Does innovation extend to safety?

## Do organisational goals reinforce wanted behaviours?

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## Talking about Safety Culture



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Teamwork

Let's talk

team make safety part of the discussion?

Safety Culture

Does your team talk about safety issues?

Sometimes we don't think we have time to talk about Sometimes we don't think we have time to talk ador face-to-face talk can become a victime to talk ador wichim How could vic Safety. And in an age of electronic communication face to face talk can be come a victim. How could your

## Safety Culture Discussion Cards



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### Thankyou!



"One thing, if you want to understand risk, you need to get out from behind your desk"

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