

Terms of Reference

Vertical Aviation Safety Team (VAST)

Safety Promotion Working Group

Background:

Under the VAST structure, working groups may be established to assist regional safety teams and/or global vertical takeoff and landing (VTOL) aircraft stakeholders in any number of duties including the collection, analysis, and distribution of useful information germane to the VTOL industry. VAST working groups operate in a collaborative manner under the direction of the VAST Advisors and with the guidance of the VAST Steering Committee.

Objectives:

The VAST Safety Promotion working group is hereby established to ensure the VAST is the world's most trusted source for vertical flight safety information and resources by identifying, collecting, harmonizing, and delivering centralized access of safety information and resources from participating stakeholder entities. The working group will ensure that safety information that is critical to meeting the VAST Vision and Mission are brought forward and highlighted to the vertical flight community. This includes safety information, recommended practices, safety videos, safety tools, accident data, research results, and global authority (as defined in the VAST Charter) regulatory publications.

The working group may reach out to the global VTOL partners including the Regional Safety Teams, Authorities and other VTOL industry stakeholders (e.g. original equipment manufacturers, training providers, operators, service providers, and vertical flight industry associations) and work with them on the development and distribution of safety material.

Membership:

The VAST Safety Promotion working group is staffed by members of the regional safety teams, safety authorities (as defined in the VAST Charter), or other global VTOL safety stakeholders (organizations including councils, committees; industry original equipment manufacturers, safety organizations, training providers, and others as appropriate). It will be managed by two co-chairs, normally one from the industry stakeholders and one from the aviation authorities. Co-chairs are chosen by a majority vote of the voting members and are responsible for ensuring adherence to procedural guidance provided by the VAST Steering Committee. There are no limits to the number of voting members in this working group. However only one (1) representative from any company or organization may be a voting member of the working group. The two co-chairs will be voting members. The working group may bring in other non-voting experts to advise on technical and other issues. Co-chairs of other VAST working groups are automatically considered non-voting advisors to all other working groups.