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AVIATION SAFETY BEST PRACTICES HIGHLIGHTED AT CRISIS PREPAREDNESS CONFERENCE

Choi Shing Kwok, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Transport, delivering the welcome address.

For the aviation industry, crisis preparedness for aircraft accidents and security threats is a top priority as it ensures the safety of both passengers and people working within the industry. In Singapore, the Civil Aviation Authority of Singapore (CAAS) and the Changi Airport Group (CAG) play important roles in ensuring the country's preparedness to handle aircraft accidents at the airport and within the Flight Information Region (FIR).

On 22-24 March, best practices in aviation safety and crisis preparedness were further highlighted at the Aircraft Accidents Crisis Preparedness and Management Conference. The conference, jointly organised by the Ministry of Transport (MOT) and the Singapore Aviation Academy (SAA), discussed key issues such as policies and governance, public information management, emergency response at various accident sites and emergency preparedness. The event also provided a unique platform for aviation crisis personnel — management and operational — to share experiences and address other related issues.

The conference, which saw over a hundred participants, was graced by a panel of industry experts from various countries such as Canada, Hong Kong, Australia, Singapore and France. "It is our hope that the Conference will help bridge the gap between strategic perspectives and operational viewpoints, raising the readiness level of the aviation sector's emergency preparedness as a whole," said Choi Shing Kwok, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Transport, who was also present at the conference.

Marcus Costa, Chief, Accident Investigation and Prevention Section, ICAO, delivering the keynote address.

Speakers at the Aircraft Accidents Crisis Preparedness and Management Conference.