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Work continues to develop the **Performance Scheme Implementing Rule (IR)** and amendment to the **Charging Regulation**. A fourth **Single Sky Committee (SSC)** workshop will take place on 19 April, and is expected to concentrate on the Charging Regulation. After this it is expected that both will be presented to the SSC for a vote on 7 May.

At SSC 34 on 23-24 March the Commission introduced proposals for the designation of a **Performance Review Body (PRB)** to assist the Commission in the implementation of the performance scheme. Eurocontrol's **Performance Review Commission (PRC)** is expected to take on the PRB role and are currently supporting the Commission in the development of the EU-wide performance targets, which are expected to be consulted upon in the summer and then adopted at the end of 2010.

The SSC also discussed the certification of **EGNOS**, the European space-based GNSS augmentation service; the progress of SESAR and EASA ATM rulemaking activities. In addition SSC agreed a mandate to Eurocontrol to extend the scope of the **Aeronautical Data and Information Quality (ADQ) IR**; and adopted an amendment to the IR on **flight plans in the pre-flight phase** to reflect updated ICAO references.

Once the Performance Scheme has been agreed, the Commission's focus will shift towards development of the **Network Management Function (NMF)**. A draft NMF IR is expected to be prepared during the spring with a consultation workshop expected in June and discussion in the SSC to follow. The Commission will also designate the Network Manager by the end of the year, with the aim of establishing the function by 2011.

Eurocontrol have launched a formal consultation on draft SES implementing rules on **Surveillance Performance** and on **Aircraft Identity**. The consultation package can be obtained at www.eurocontrol.int/enprm with comments requested by 5 May.

The Commission is also expected to develop guidance material for the establishment and modification of **Functional Airspace Blocks (FABs)** as well as detailed requirements in the form of an IR to address information requirements to allow for a more standardised assessment of FABs. The first newsletter of the UK/Ireland FAB is available from <http://www.nats.co.uk/CMS/files/UKIrelandFABNewsMar10.pdf>

EASA continue work to transpose existing SES safety IRs into EASA IRs. It is expected that an EASA opinion will be issued in May 2010 with consultation then handled through SSC processes including SSC workshops and through the SES Industry Consultation Body. The latest CAA EASA Information Bulletin is available at: <http://www.caa.co.uk/default.aspx?catid=620&pagetype=68>

In the **SESAR** project the proposed changes to be included in the first update to the **ATM Master Plan** are expected to be discussed by the Joint Undertaking (SJU) Admin Board on 30 April.

The next Eurocontrol **Provisional Council (PC)** will meet on 6 May and is expected to consider proposals for the reform of the agency including the establishment of three pillars: the SES Support to Regulation Pillar; the NMF Pillar; and the SESAR Pillar.

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