

Watch

This SGI "WATCH" contains recent developments related to EU/EASA regulations, the EU blacklist and SAFA. We hope you will find this informative and useful

E-Learning

As the importance of eLearning is growing and has become an important feature of educational institutions, SGI is very pleased to inform you about its newly developed eLearning system.

This eLearning system developed by SGI may be combined with several instructor-lead courses. It addresses different learning styles (audio, visual, interactive) and can quickly offer specialized training courses to address updates in regulations and technical processes. It is an ideal system for refresher and recurrent training courses. The system prepares students for the instructor-lead course by reviewing core topics.



Secondly, group assessments, prior to the course, allows the instructor to tailor the training course.

Finally, the system provides continuing education for the participants by offering follow-up lessons and reference material. Obviously, the system offers different benefits to the participants: it's self-paced on the schedule of the student and it doesn't require a physical attendance.

SGI has already applied the system for the ICAO language proficiency check of candidates that applied for an Aviation English and Communication Skills training course. SGI is planning on rolling out a number of new eLearning courses this year starting with an Aircraft De-icing/Anti-icing training course.

We are proud to present you the second edition of the Watch newsletter.

Commission Directive 2008/49/EC

As stipulated in the Commission Directive 2008/49/EC there is a requirement for recurrent training of SAFA inspectors.

The criteria for the conduct of ramp inspections on aircraft states the following:

2.3.3. Requirements for maintaining the validity of the qualification.

Member States shall ensure that once qualified, inspectors maintain the validity of their qualification by:

(a) undergoing recurrent training - which shall consist of theoretical classroom training to be delivered by a SAFA training organization as defined in paragraph 2.4;

2.6. Transitional measures

2.6.2. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph 2.3.3(a), inspectors considered to be qualified in accordance with paragraph 2.6.1 shall undergo recurrent training to be delivered progressively by a SAFA training organization by not later than 1 July 2010 and subsequently as provided under paragraph 2.3.3(a).

The SGI SAFA Recurrent Training Courses provides an overview of the latest developments of the EC SAFA Programme to your inspectors

SAFA Recurrent Training Course 30-31 August

After several requests, we are delighted to inform you that SGI Advisory has scheduled an additional SAFA Recurrent Training Course on 30-31 August 2010 in Amsterdam, the Netherlands. There are still places available. For more information or to register for this course, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Fanny Timmerman at:

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Aviation English for Engineers

SGI Advisory presents its new training course; 'Aviation English for Engineers'. This training course will mainly focus on reading and interpreting text from Aircraft Technical Documents such as Aircraft Maintenance Manuals. The English used in these manuals is often manufacturer specific and complicated. During this training course the participant's knowledge of general and technical vocabulary will be improved and they shall be able to interpret manual specific words and phrases correctly. Each training day ends with an hour of self-study. This allows the participant to review topics already covered and to prepare for upcoming topics. By applying this 'learning by doing' approach, the participants get the opportunity to master the subject matters, in the right way.

SAFA Recurrent Training Course Luxembourg

On the 24th and the 25th of March, SGI Advisory delivered a SAFA Recurrent Training Course to the Direction de l'Aviation Civile (DAC) in Luxembourg. We are very pleased to announce that this training course was a great success and SGI Advisory received many positive reactions.

"It was a very good match of competences of the two experienced instructors and good detailed subject coverage", commented one participant.

The scheduled SAFA Recurrent training courses for 2010 are listed on the SGI Website. We also offer dedicated, tailor-made SAFA recurrent training courses to individual States.

The next scheduled SAFA Recurrent Training Course will be held on 30-31 August in Amsterdam, the Netherlands.

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SAFA Initial Theoretical & Practical Training Course

SGI Advisory has scheduled a SAFA Initial Theoretical and Practical training course in Erfurt, Germany from the 20th until 23th of September.

For NAA inspectors with limited SAFA experience this course offers an integral overview of the background of the programme, the applicable legislation & procedures and the inspection methodology.

The last day consist of a practical demonstration on an aircraft in a simulated environment, a B737 in a nearby maintenance facility. The classroom training will be hosted at Lufthansa Technical Training facilities in Erfurt, Germany.

Third Party SAFA Training Organization (STO)

SAFA inspectors are required to meet eligibility, training and experience requirements. Inspectors of ECAC Member States participating the in the EC SAFA Programme can be trained by:

1. Training Organisation, part of the ECAC Member State Competent Authority
2. Training Organisation, part of an other ECAC Member State Competent Authority
3. An independent Training Organisation.

These independent SAFA Training Organisations need to be evaluated by their customers, the Competent Authorities of the ECAC Member States.

COMMISSION DIRECTIVE 2008/49/EC specifies:

2.4 SAFA Training Organisations

2.4.3. Member States employing a third party organisation for the purpose of SAFA-related training shall put in place a system to evaluate such an organisation.



Participants of a recent SAFA training in Prague, Czech Republic

Evaluation

SGI Advisory has been evaluated by many Competent Authorities through a combination of on-site audits, desktop evaluations, observing training courses provided and review of evaluation reports of colleague Competent Authorities.

This has resulted in the fact that Competent Authorities from many different European States (e.g. Germany, Italy, Austria, Romania, Czech Republic, Slovak Republic etc.) have selected SGI Advisory as their third Party SAFA Training Organisation.