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**Betreff:** Urgent Request to Disseminate

**Wichtigkeit:** Hoch



To: **UAV-DACH, Germany**  
Att.: **Norbert Lohl, Achim Friedl, Joerg Dittrich, Uwe Nortmann**  
CC: **Oliver Heinrich**  
Re: **Request To Disseminate**  
Subj.: **International Survey**  
Obj.: **UAS / RPAS / Drone Operations - <http://rpas-regulations.com/community-info/survey-on-drone-operations/>**

Dear Friends,

You are kindly requested to **rapidly** disseminate the message indicated below to your network of professional UAS / RPAS / Drone operators (incl. research orgs. & flight schools) in **GERMANY & GERMAN SPEAKING COUNTRIES**.

This will permit to take their UAS / RPAS/ Drone activity into account.

The survey is now available online in **English, French, German, Italian**, and **GERMAN** (thanks to your help). The conclusions of this survey will be enlightening for all, and are bound to have an impact on the vision of national, regional & international regulatory authorities (incl. ICAO, EC DG MOVE & EASA) and the definition of their priorities.

**NOTE:**

Please note that up to today only **4 replies forms** have been completed by companies in **Germany**. This is very disappointing and puts Germany at the same reply level as Iceland.

Thank you in advance for your help to get the message out.

Cordial regards,  
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Re: **Invitation To Contribute**  
Subj.: **Survey**  
Obj.: **UAS / RPAS / Drone Operations**

Currently, the Unmanned Aircraft Systems/Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems/Drone (UAS / RPAS / Drone) community, as well as the regulatory authorities and the press, make suppositions concerning the drone market (the market sectors involved), as well as the flight operations actually taking place in these market sectors. These suppositions are not based on **justifiable** numbers. In addition, there are no commonly accepted definitions of the terms to be used to describe the market sectors and flight operations. The consequence is that the messages getting out to potential customers, investors and regulatory authorities, as well as the general public, are not always clear.

This survey has as purpose to contribute to correcting this situation and at the same time contribute to harmonizing the terminology used by all, when referring to the non-military UAS / RPAS / Drone market (Commercial & Non-Commercial).

This survey is the opportunity for **German** UAS / RPAS / Drone operators to make sure that their current & future operations are taken into account when the European **standard operational scenarios** (required to unlock the potential of the “specific” category defined by EASA) will be created (early 2018).

The objective of this survey is to:

- 1- **Identify the market sectors** in which drone flight operations are **currently** taking place;
- 2- **Quantify the mission purposes** of the flight operations [Visual Line of Sight (VLOS) & Beyond Visual Line of Sight (BVLOS)] **currently** taking place in compliance with the applicable national rules or regulations;
- 3- **Identify the market sectors** in which **Very Low Level (VLL) BVLOS flight operations (below 500 feet AGL)** are anticipated to take place **in the near term** (1 to 2 years);
- 4- **Identify the market sectors** where **BVLOS flight operations (above 500 feet AGL)** are envisaged to take place **in the medium term** (2-5 years);
- 5- **Quantify the flight mission purposes** in the categories indicated in points 3 & 4 above **in the medium/long term** (2-10 years).

This generic survey is aimed at the **worldwide UAS / RPAS / Drone operator community**.

This survey will permit to **create a factual & realistic representation** of the **current & upcoming UAS / RPAS / Drone market sectors and flight missions**.

It has an **operation-centric approach** and does not make a distinction between UAS / RPAS / Drones according to their mass.

This survey has been published in 5 languages (**English, French, German, Italian, German**).

The responses supplied to this survey will **NOT** be nominally attributed to the companies/organizations having supplied them.

The conclusions of this survey will be enlightening for all, and it will have an impact on the thinking of national, regional & international regulatory authorities (incl. ICAO, EC DG MOVE & EASA) and the definitions of their priorities.

**Invitation**

You are invited to contribute to the [Survey on UAS/RPAS/Drone Operations](#).

Completing the survey will take 10 minutes.

The submission deadline is: **15 September 2017**

The document “**The Non-Military RPAS Market (Commercial & Non-Commercial)**” supplies additional information & examples that may be useful. It is available (downloadable) along with the survey.

Other relevant reference documents can be found at <http://rpas-regulations.com/community-info/>

All operators contributing with inputs to this survey will be nominally listed as “**Survey Contributors**” in the final conclusions and will receive a copy of the conclusions.

**Publication of Conclusions**

The conclusions will be published during the **first half of October 2017** and will be notified to: the International Civil Aviation Authority (ICAO), European Civil Aviation Conference (ECAC), Joint Authorities for Rulemaking on Unmanned Systems (JARUS), European Commission (DG ECHO, DG ENV, DG GROW, DG HOME, DG MOVE, DG R&I), European Union agencies (EASA, EMSA, ESA, FRONTEX, GSA, SESAR), EUROCONTROL, as well as national aviation authorities in multiple countries worldwide, national public-private partnerships/civil drone councils, UVS International members, national drone associations (incl. the 32 members of the International RPAS Coordination Council) & their respective members, the international UAS / RPAS / drone operators community (all applications), model aircraft associations, international aviation community stakeholders (e.g. AIA, ASD, ATCA, CANSO, CoESS, EBAA, ECA, EuroSDR, FAI, GSMA, IAOPA, IATA, IFATCA), the international press.

The survey conclusions will also be published on [www.rpas-regulations.com](http://www.rpas-regulations.com) & made available to all other interested parties.

**Note:**

Since this survey was launched on 28 June 2017, we have received inputs from **40 countries**: Australia, Austria, Bangladesh, Belgium, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, Colombia, Croatia, Czech Rep., Denmark, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Kenya, Latvia, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nigeria, Norway, Portugal, Russia, South Africa, Spain, Switzerland, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom, USA, Zambia.

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