

# CASA PNG Joins Regional Aviation Leaders at DGCA/61 in Malaysia

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CASA PNG is taking part in the 61st Conference of Directors General of Civil Aviation (DGCA/61) in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, joining aviation leaders from across the Asia-Pacific region to discuss the future of safe, secure, sustainable and efficient aviation.



Image caption: DGCA/61 brings together aviation leaders from across the Asia-Pacific region in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

## High-Level Panel Highlights Smart Skies

A proud moment for Papua New Guinea was the participation of Mr. Benedict Oraka, Director of Civil Aviation, in the High-Level Panel Discussion on the opening day of the week-long conference.

The panel brought together a distinguished line-up of aviation leaders and industry experts to explore how emerging technologies are shaping safer, more secure, sustainable and efficient aviation systems.

Image caption: Mr. Benedict Oraka joins regional and international aviation leaders during the High-Level Panel Discussion on Smart Skies.

From innovation and digitalisation to the evolving aviation landscape, the discussion offered valuable insights into the opportunities and challenges shaping the future of aviation.

Through the exchange of ideas and expertise, the High-Level Panel Discussion provided a platform for DGCA/61 conversations on advancing Smart Skies and building a more connected and resilient aviation ecosystem.

Through active engagement at DGCA/61, CASA PNG continues to strengthen partnerships with ICAO and regional aviation stakeholders, helping ensure Papua New Guinea remains connected, compliant and prepared for the future of aviation.