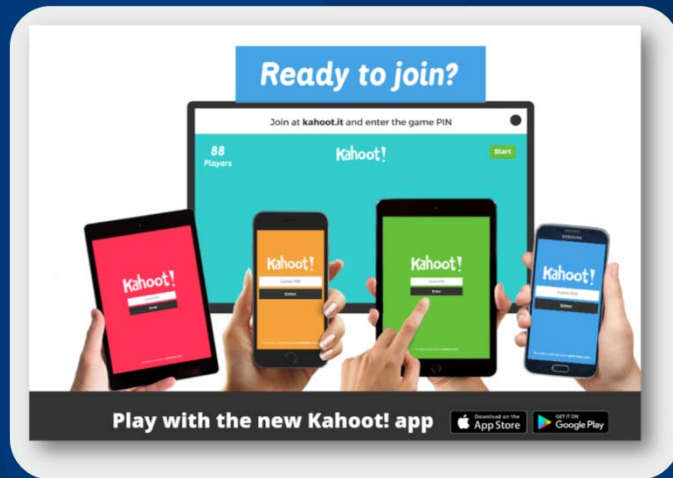


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# Panelist Agencies



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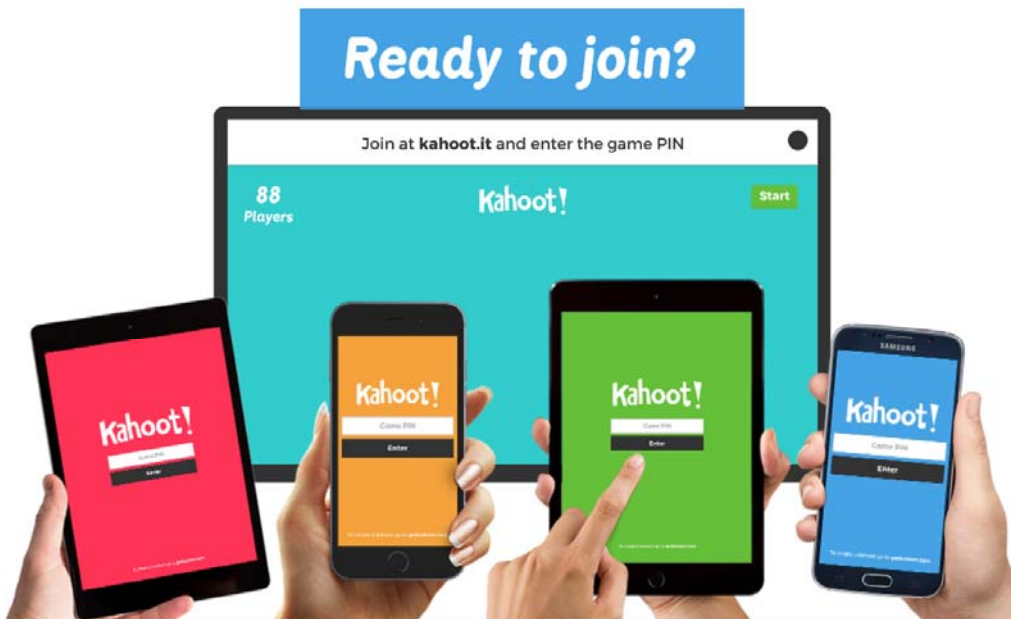
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- Kahoot! Interactive Survey
- Panel Introduction
- Panel Agency Overview
  - Agency Cyber Security
  - Collaboration Opportunities
- Final Thoughts / Questions



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# AVIATION CYBER INITIATIVE (ACI)



**CISA**  
CYBER+INFRASTRUCTURE

# ACI: Overview

- **Mission:** Reduce cybersecurity risks and improve cyber resilience to support safe, secure, and efficient operations of the Nation's Aviation Ecosystem



- ACI serves as an interagency forum to implement the cybersecurity objectives of the **National Strategy for Aviation Security (NSAS)**

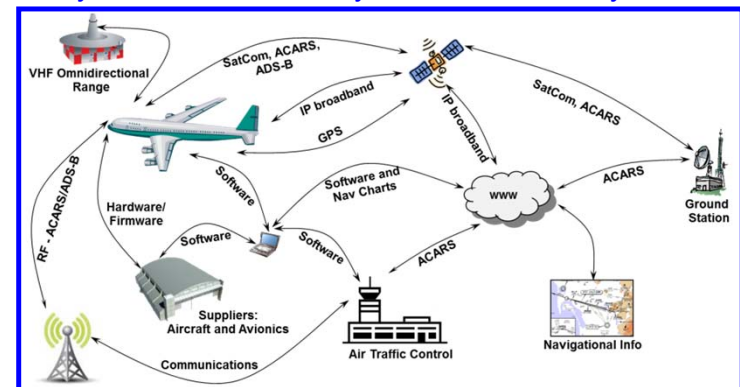
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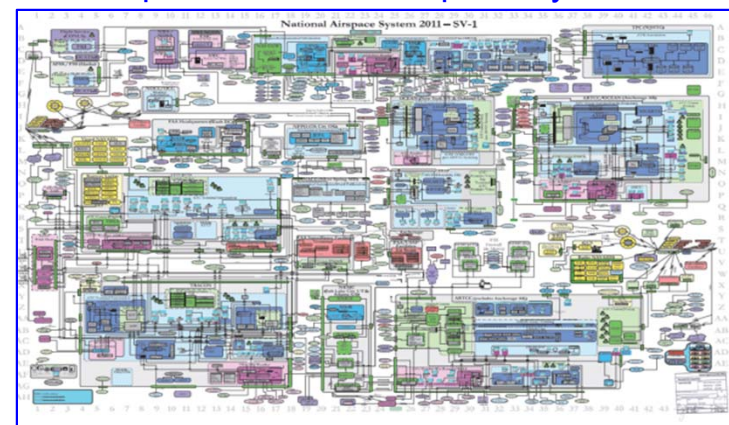
# ACI: Supporting Objectives

- Facilitate U.S. Gov't efforts on cyber risk reduction of the Nation's Aviation Ecosystem with the following supporting objectives:
  - Identify, assess and analyze cyber threats, vulnerabilities, and consequences** within the Aviation Ecosystem through research, development, testing, and evaluation initiatives,
  - Seek potential improvement opportunities and **risk mitigation strategies**,
  - Engage with Aviation Ecosystem stakeholders on activities for **reducing cyber risk**

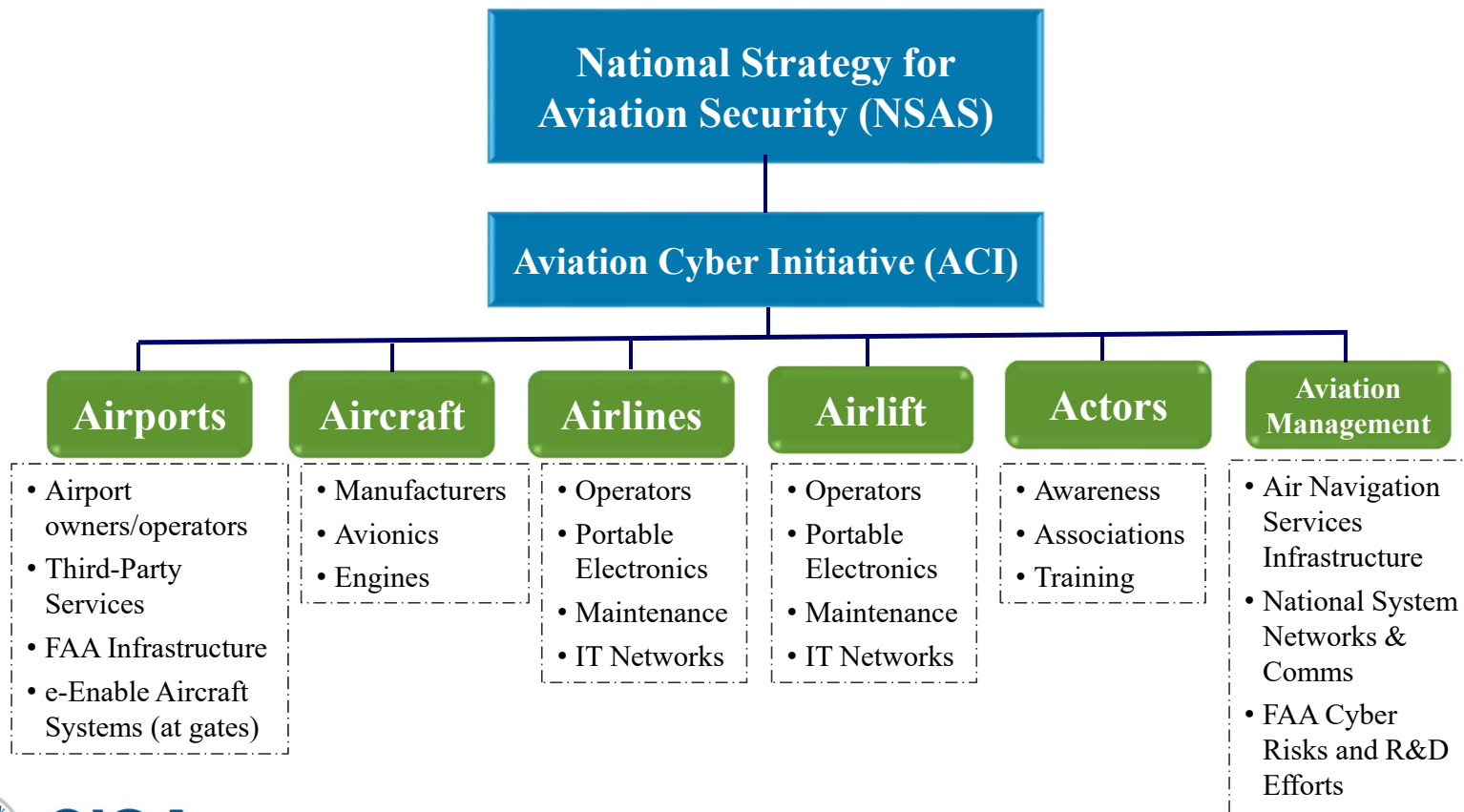
Cyber Access Pathways in Aviation Ecosystem



“Simplified National Airspace System”



# ACI: The 6-As





# National Cybersecurity Assessments & Technical Services (NCATS) - Services

Services are provided at “no cost” to our customers

- Vulnerability Scanning (Cyber Hygiene)
- Phishing Campaign Assessments
- Reputation and Posture Monitoring
- Risk and Vulnerability Assessments
- Remote Penetration Testing
- Red Team Assessment
- Validated Architecture Design Review

*Our “payment” is authorization to use anonymized, non-attributable data to enhance national situational awareness and enable our stakeholders to make data drive decisions*



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# Purpose



- **Share information about FAA cyber aviation safety risk assessment methodology**
- **Share information on security ecosystem**
- **Share Aviation Security Vision for the future**
- **Explore possible ways that SRA methodology can help Airports cyber posture**





NOT your typical IT networks

**It is all about  
understanding Risk**



Location: William J. Hughes Technical Center, ACY New Jersey



# Aviation Research Division Cyber R&D Overview

- **Aviation Research Division** Cyber R&D Programs

Two Broad categories of FAA Cyber research:

- **Aviation Safety**

- Support development of policy, regulation, guidance
- *Collaborate with the aviation community*
- **Promote the safety culture to include information security**

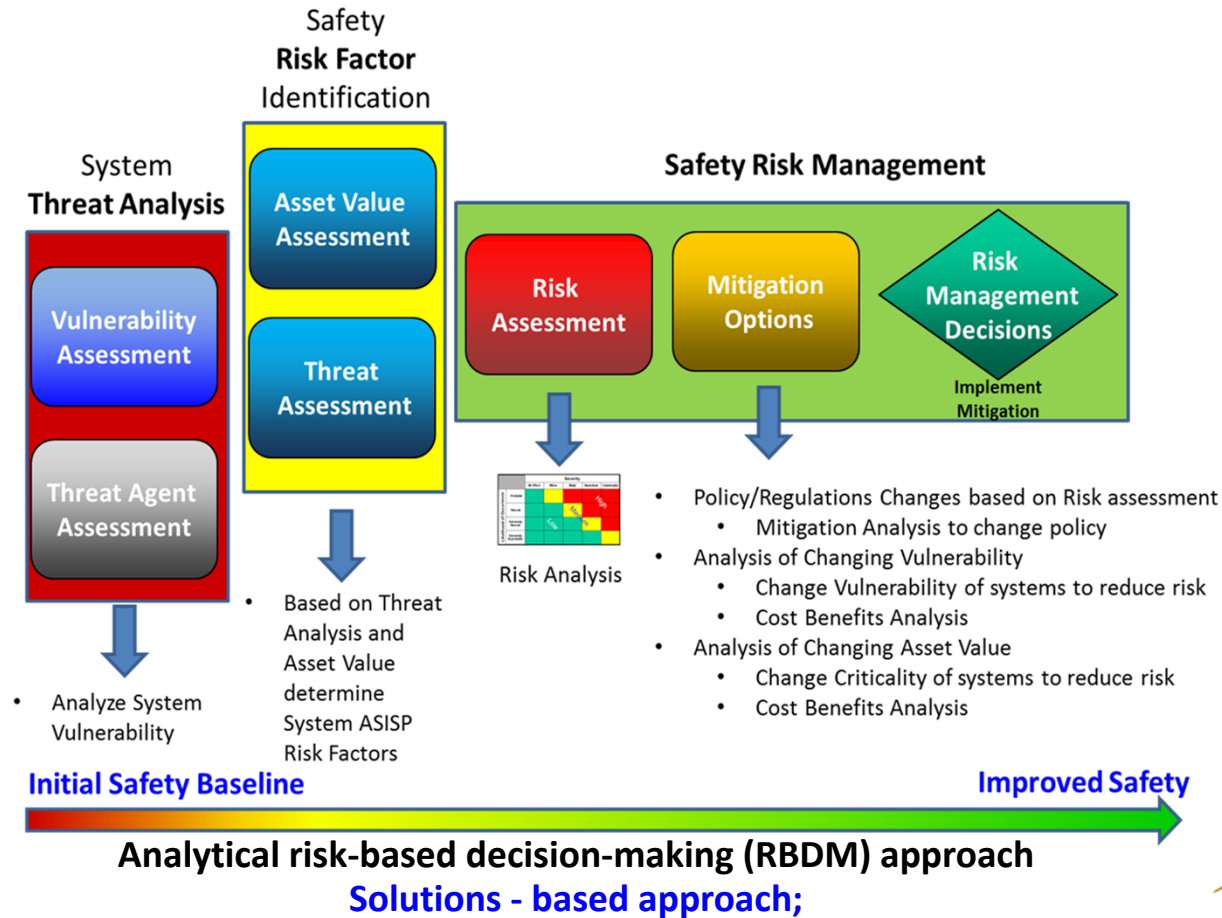
- **Innovative Cyber Capability Development**

- Mature innovative technologies/concepts for application into the aviation ecosystem
- Smart Airports of the Future testbed at ACY





# Safety Risk Assessment Research Framework



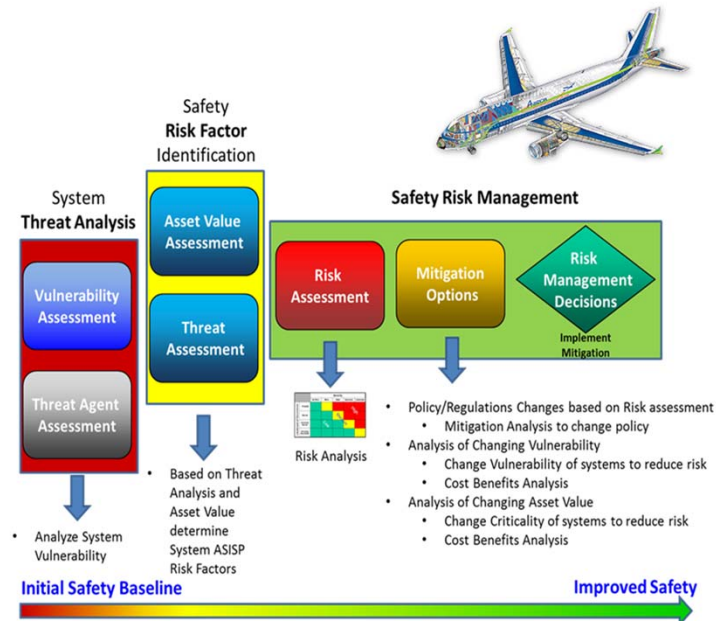




# Aircraft Systems Information Security Protection (ASISP)

**Goal:** A Risk Based Decision Making Process for assessing the risks associated with cyber attacks on aircraft

- ✓ Allows consistent standard outputs
- ✓ Structured methodology
- ✓ Repeatable and Validated processes
- ✓ Removes assessment bias
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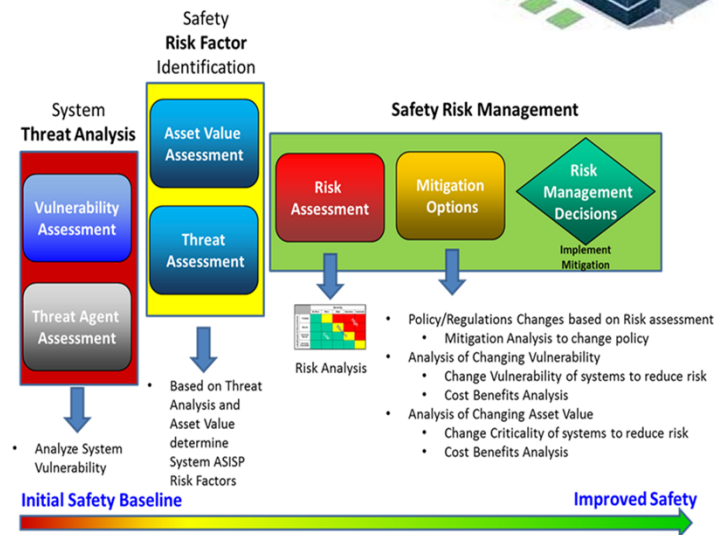


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# MASSPORT & FAA Seedling Collaboration

- Vision: Utilize existing Aircraft Systems Information Security Protection (ASISP) cyber safety risk assessment R&D methodology to assess systems across the Aviation Ecosystem

**Initial Assessment Subject:**  
Automated Aircraft Docking System  
(SafeGate)

## Program Goals

- Work with Logan Airport - MASSPORT to assess SafeGate for cyber safety issues
- Identify and assess cyber vulnerabilities and risks associated with SafeGate system implementation at Logan Airport
- Complete analytical cyber study based on *available documentation & cross organizational subject-matter-experts (SME) input*
- Complete a Cyber penetration testing to discover vulnerabilities
- Establish FAA seedling funding to prove the concept of applying ASISP to other complex systems beyond aircraft avionics
- Establish potential future use of FAA Airport Improvement Program (AIP) funds to conduct other cybersecurity assessments

### Apron Management



### Docking Guidance



### Ramp Information



### Gate Signs



## PARTNERSHIP



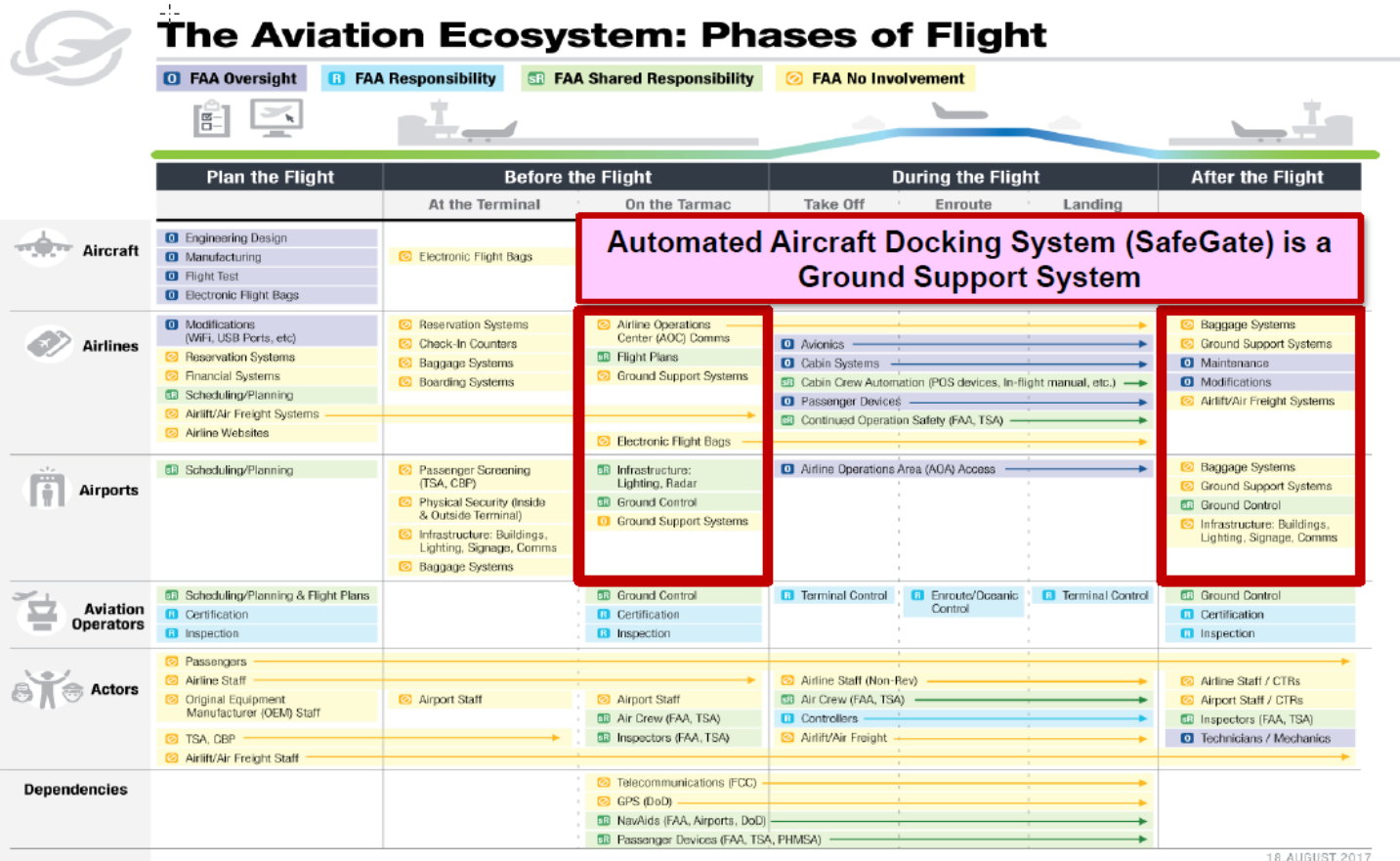
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# Aviation Ecosystem Analysis



The proposed cyber risk assessment Crosses multiple parts of the ecosystem



# Safety Risk Assessments

- Apply sound system engineering principles and work with the various agencies to understand the risks
- Cyber Safety Risk Assessments (SRAs) are generated for specific systems based on a repeatable methodology
- In process of establishing **Cyber Commercial Aviation Safety Team** partnering federal organizations and industry





# Cyber Security awareness is rising

## Safety & Security Culture



- **Government has recognized importance of cyber security across aviation ecosystem**
  - Congress, White House, FAA
- **AVS is sponsoring ASISP R&D**
- **The FAA R&D Organization has flexibility to:**
  - work with industry



# Safety Environment: Today



## Safety

- Safety culture is very strong
  - Safety is a priority, well understood problem set of risks and solutions, proactive approach with solution sets
  - Well structured safety processes & procedures support the culture
- Outstanding historical performance record
- Commercial Aviation Safety Team (CAST)
  - Solutions based; NOT regulatory based
  - Industry coordinated solutions
- Predictable product assurance based approach
  - Likelihood is very quantitative with well documented occurrences to include outliers



## Cyber Security

- Security culture is in development
  - Cyber Security is not often prioritized, not a well understood set of risks and solutions with ad-hoc approach and patch solution sets
  - Processes & Procedures being developed independently
- Sparse documented historical record
- No CAST equivalent community solution
  - Often checklist compliance based
  - Independent solution sets
- Unpredictable Cyber-based environment
  - Likelihood is not easily quantifiable since cyber security is based on vulnerabilities, actor capabilities and actor motivation



# Safety Environment: Tomorrow



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## Cyber Security

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  - Well structured Processes & Procedures in place
- Historical record of threat/risks/mitigations
- CAST equivalent community solution
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  - Consensus-based solution sets
- Managed Cyber-based environment
  - Understanding of vulnerabilities, actor capabilities and actor motivation
  - **Risk-Based Management Approach**

**Industry and Government Partnership is imperative for a Strong Safety + Security Culture**



# Cyber Security Federal Agencies

## – Final Thoughts / Questions

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