

MEDIA STATEMENT

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Civil Aviation Authority named Best Performing Institution and its head Best Chief Executive Officer

Midrand. For the second year in a row, the South African Civil Aviation Authority (SACAA) has been crowned the 'Best Performing Institution'; whilst its head, Ms Poppy Khoza, walked away with the 'Best Chief Executive Officer in Transport' at the 2015 Annual Transport Awards.

The SACAA and Ms Poppy Khoza, who heads the entity as Director of Civil Aviation, were presented with the coveted prizes by the Minister of Transport, Ms Dipuo Peters, on Friday, 30 October 2015. The two were respectively selected ahead of all provincial departments of transport as well as agencies responsible for various modes of transport.

The awards come a month after the SACAA received a Clean Audit Award from the Auditor-General of South Africa (AGSA) for the third year in succession. The AGSA also noted the SACAA's 100% performance against set targets for the 2014/15 financial year.

"These awards and the continuing global recognition, specifically over the last three years, suggest that we are discharging our mandate effectively and are closing in on our vision of being ranked among the top 10 civil aviation authorities globally. Whilst we are thrilled by the recognition, we are also cognisant of the fact that organisational performance is not, and can never be, a once-off incident. As such, the litmus test will be to maintain these remarkable records," Khoza said.

The SACAA is a self-funded agency of the Department of Transport, tasked with promoting and maintaining a safe, secure and sustainable civil aviation environment by regulating and overseeing the industry in line with international standards.

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About the SACAA:

The South African Civil Aviation Authority ("SACAA") is a juristic body established in terms of the Civil Aviation Act, 2009 (Act No. 13 of 2009) ("the Act"). SACAA is governed and controlled by the Civil Aviation Authority Board ("the Board"). In terms of mandate, the SACAA is tasked with promoting and maintaining a safe, secure and sustainable civil aviation environment, by regulating and overseeing the functioning and development of the industry in an efficient, cost-effective, and customer-friendly manner according to international standards.

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