

# Bi-weekly Newsletter

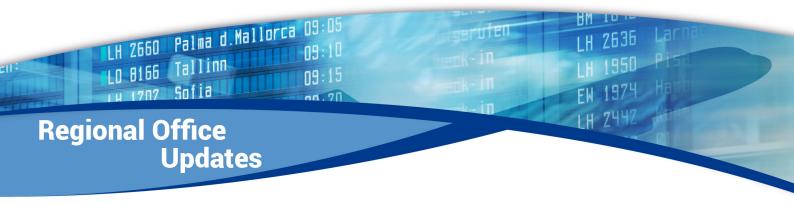






**15 OCTOBER 2019** 





# Calling for submissions: Green Airports Recognition 2020 – Water Management



The Regional Office is pleased to invite applications for "Green Airports Recognition 2020 – Water Management"!

The objective of Green Airports Recognition is to promote environmental best practices to minimize aviation's impact on the environment and to recognize ACI Asia-Pacific airport members who have made outstanding contributions to the protection of the environment with respect to airport construction, operations and maintenance.

By participating in this initiative, you will have the opportunity to share success stories from your airport's environmental projects and endeavours with other airports in the region, and stand a chance to be recognized for your efforts and outstanding achievements.

Given that the subject of sustainability comprises a broad range of disciplines, each year, we focus on a specific theme chosen

amongst various environmental aspects. The theme for this year is **Water Management**.

The Green Airports Recognition is an excellent platform to highlight your environment progress. We hope you will encourage your sustainability and environmental teams to submit applications by 9 December 2019, 12:00 noon, Hong Kong Time (GMT +8). Participation in the ACI Asia-Pacific Environmental Survey 2019 is a prerequisite for joining Green Airports Recognition 2020.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Ken Lau, Senior Manager, Technical Affairs at green\_airports@aci-asiapac.aero.

#### **Resources:**

- > Application Form and Programme Details
- > Environmental Survey 2019

### Join us at endearing Nara in April 2020!

We are delighted to invite all members to the 15th ACI Asia-Pacific Regional Assembly, Conference and Exhibition on 21-23 April 2020, hosted by Kansai Airports in Nara, Japan.

Over the years, the ACI Asia-Pacific Regional Assembly, Conference and Exhibition has established itself as one of the most important aviation events in the region, attracting high-level representation from airports and business partners, and addressing major issues that impact the aviation industry. The event also includes participation from a broad range of key partners including regulators, airlines, and other industry associations.

Don't miss the chance to enjoy Early Bird Rates available until 14 February 2020! What's more, a 15% Group Discount is available for groups of three or more delegates from the same company registering together.

ACI Asia-Pacific airport members have the privilege to utilize the Conference Incentive Program (CIP) for two FREE registrations.

For more details, please visit the event website or contact us via events@aciasiapac.aero.

**Register Now!** 



### Welcome Samantha to the External Affairs team!

SAMANTHA SOLOMON recently joined ACI Asia-Pacific as Assistant Manager, External Affairs.

Samantha has almost two decades of experience in Communications and Marketing. She also has extensive aviation experience, having spent thirteen years working at The Boeing Company in Europe and the United States.

We are thrilled to welcome Samantha to the External Affairs team and look forward to benefitting from her experience at ACI AsiaPacific. She will focus primary on the Regional Office's communications, media relations efforts and events marketing.





# ACI calls for more innovation and greater flexibility in security and facilitation

Airports Council International (ACI) World presented two papers to the 40th International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) Assembly on the urgency of needed innovation in aviation security and aviation facilitation.

ACI believes that, to keep up with growth in air service demand, changes in threats and risks, as well as technological evolution, the aviation sector needs an adaptable, flexible framework within which innovation can thrive. To accomplish this, partnerships between government and industry and regulatory space to foster pilots and trials are needed.

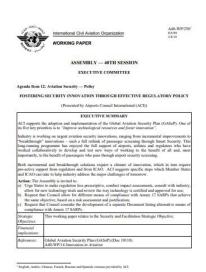
"In order to allow innovation in aviation security, ACI urges States to make regulation less prescriptive, allow for new technology trials, and simplify the way technology is certified and approved for use," ACI World Director General Angela Gittens said as she presented ACI's paper on aviation security.

"We request that ICAO allow for varying means of compliance with standards and recommended practices that achieve the same objective and consider the development of a separate document listing such possible means of compliance."

ACI has proposed that States support innovations such as the use of artificial intelligence, connectivity, big data and standoff detection which could radically transform aviation security by screening persons seamlessly at various airport touchpoints, and even before they arrive at the airport.

Read the full press release **HERE**.





**Paper on Aviation Security** 

# ACI calls for appropriate ICAO standards and practices for supersonic aircraft

At the International Civil Aviation
Organization (ICAO) Assembly, Airports
Council International (ACI) World called for
appropriate standards and practices for
supersonic aircraft to properly address their
potential impact on the environment, airport
operations, and the public.

The reintroduction of supersonic aircraft may occur as early as 2023 and ACI is concerned that manufacturers have not been able to yet present evidence that new supersonic aircraft will be able to meet the latest ICAO standards for their subsonic counterparts.

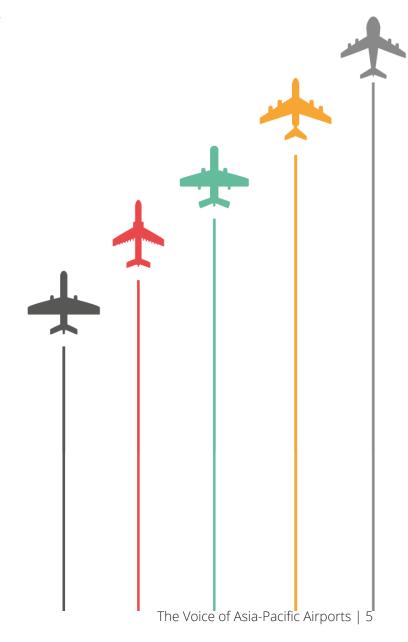
Considering that there is strong pressure on airports to reduce their noise and emissions footprints, and generally reduce the impact of aviation on their communities, ACI insists that the re-introduction of supersonic aircraft not undermine the efforts and achievements of the industry over the past decades.

In its Reintroduction of Supersonics paper, ACI invites the Assembly to develop noise and emissions Standards and Recommended Practices for supersonic aircraft which promote the sustainable development of international aviation and

recognize that the introduction of supersonic aircraft should not disrupt traffic flow of other aircraft, lead to loss of capacity, or reduce efficiency or environmental impact elsewhere in the system.

"Public acceptance of aviation rests on our ability to face the operational and environmental challenges currently posed by noise and emissions from subsonic aircraft. The introduction of supersonic aircraft must not destroy that acceptance," ACI World Director General Angela Gittens said.

The full press release is available **HERE**.







# 40th ICAO Assembly endorses key action items for global aviation's Security and Facilitation strategic objective

States endorsed a wide range of securityand facilitation-related topics at the 40th Session of the ICAO Assembly this year, reflecting both their long-term objectives and their broad support for a new Declaration on Aviation Security - affirming global commitment to strengthening implementation.

States also welcomed and endorsed the ICAO Cybersecurity strategy for the air transport sector, a first-of-its-kind response which features key goals relating to information sharing, improved coordination among all partnering government and enforcement entities, and timely and aligned responses to related risks and events.

They further endorsed ICAO's expeditious delivery of the Global Aviation Security Plan (GASeP), with over 160 States participating in the lively discussions, and supported the ICAO Secretariat's initiative to establish a mechanism for reporting implementation progress, which is critical in encouraging all

States to reach the GASeP aspirational targets for 2020, 2023, and 2030.

"ICAO is very grateful to have received such a strong endorsement of the GASeP, and to be reassured once again that the accelerated development and implementation of this important global resource is meeting the expectations of States, counter terrorism agencies, and international enforcement stakeholders," underscored ICAO Secretary General Dr. Fang Liu.

View the full press release **HERE**.

## **Industry High-level Group launches second Aviation Benefits Report**

On the sidelines of ICAO's 40th Assembly, the second edition Aviation Benefits Report was launched by the global air transport Industry High Level Group.

Comprised of ICAO, the Airports Council International (ACI), the Civil Air Navigation Services Organisation (CANSO), the International Air Transport Association (IATA), and the International Coordinating Council of Aerospace Industries Associations (ICCAIA), the IHLG works to promote and safeguard the socio-economic benefits of air transport.

Populated with many real-world examples of how air transport is improving the lives and livelihoods of billions of people around the world today, the 2019 Aviation Benefits Report provides a helpful and consolidated view of aviation's current socio-economic impacts, challenges, and objectives.

Key priorities it underscores include the need to mainstream air transport sector development objectives in States' national economic development planning, so that air connectivity can be optimized as an economic development driver for travel, tourism, and trade.

Also highlighted was the need to promote diversified funding and financing sources for infrastructure development and modernization, and to maintain or augment air transport prioritization of the safety, security and efficiency performance assured through effective compliance by national governments with ICAO's global standards.

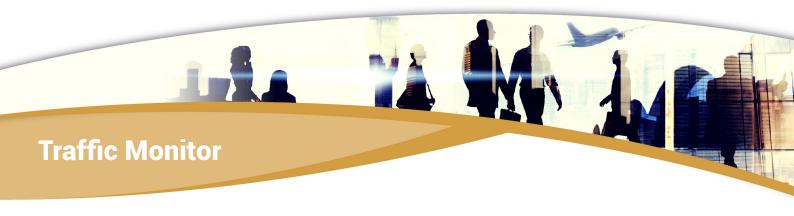
While the 2019 edition confirms various metrics such as the \$2.7 trillion impact of international and domestic flights on global GDP, or the 65.5 million jobs created by air transport activity around the world, it also helpfully provides regional snapshots for these indicators.

"Aviation plays a vital role in facilitating global

economic and social prosperity, particularly in developing countries, by fostering sustainable development," ACI World Director General Angela Gittens said. "It generates economic growth, provides jobs, improves living standards, alleviates poverty, and delivers social and economic benefits to the local, regional and national communities that it serves. As we prepare to meet the challenges of growth, we are coming together as one industry to ensure that these important benefits can be delivered sustainably by reducing the impact on the environment."

Read the full press release and download the Aviation Benefits Report.





### July 2019: Passengers up 2.4% in Asia-Pacific and 2.5% in the Middle East

JUL 2019 ACI Asia-Pacific Monthly Traffic Report	TOP 3 AIRPORTS BY SIZE CATEGORY (2) PASSENGER									
									FREIGHT	
	> 40M		25M - 40M		15M - 25M		5M - 15M			
Preliminary year-on-year traffic growth rates for Airports reporting highest traffic volume in the respective size category in July 2019 <sup>(1)</sup>	PEK	+2.1%	DOH	+8.8%	стѕ	+2.5%	SHJ	+9.8%	нкс	-7.7%
Note: <sup>(1)</sup> ACI preliminary passenger and freight statistics are based on a significant sample of airports that provide regular monthly reports to	Beijing	2.170	Doha	10.070	Sapporo Chitose	-2.570	Sharjah	13.070	Hong Kong	7.770
ACI. They represent approximately 60% of total passenger traffic and 70% of total freight traffic world-wide. Commentary, tables and charts are based on preliminary data submitted by participating air ports and are therefore subject to change.	DXB Dubai	-2.4%	HGH Hangzhou	+4.4%	TSN Tianjin	+4.4%	NGO Nagoya	+14.7%	PVG Shanghai Pudong	-3.2%
(2) Airports are categorized based on the rolling passenger traffic in the last 12 months	HND Tokyo Haneda	-0.7%	MEL Melbourne	-0.6%	GMP Seoul Gimpo	+4.6%	KHN Nanchang	+1.5%	ICN Seoul Incheon	-8.7%

Passenger traffic in Asia-Pacific and the Middle East recorded growth in July at +2.4% and +2.5% respectively.

In China, the overall passenger traffic growth showed signs of strengthening particularly in the domestic sector. The growth was likely backed by a surge in vacation travels during the summer holiday period. The three airports with the most passenger volume increase from last year were Guangzhou (CAN) +7.7%, Chengdu (CTU) +9.6% and Shenzhen (SZX) +7.8%.

In India, passenger traffic growth was largely flat as both international and domestic markets continued to adjust after the service suspension of Jet Airways. Flight operations at Mumbai (BOM) were negatively affected by adverse weather conditions, declined at -6.7%. Overall, mixed results were observed among other major airports in the country: Delhi (DEL) -1.4%, Bangalore (BLR) -0.6% and Chennai (MAA) +1.1%.

Elsewhere in Asia-Pacific, a number of airports reported solid growth due to sizeable increase in visitors during the summer holiday period: Osaka Kansai (KIX) +12.9%, Manila (MNL) +8.8%, Seoul Incheon (ICN) +7.3%, Tokyo Narita (NRT) +5.4%.

In the Middle East, passenger traffic recorded a moderate growth at +2.5%. Dubai (DXB), the largest hub in the region, declined by -2.4% in July due in part to slower travel demand after Ramadan concluded in June. On the other hand, passenger volume at Doha (DOH) grew at +8.8% and surpassed the throughput level before the blockade.

In terms of air freight, Asia-Pacific and the Middle East declined at -5.0% and -1.9% respectively amid uncertain global economic conditions. Whilst most major freight hubs reported negative growth in July, a number of airports managed to generate positive growth, led by Shenzhen (SZX) +8.4%, Guangzhou (CAN) +1.7%, Chengdu (CTU) +1.4% and Doha (DOH) +1.3%.

## **Airport Members Spotlight**

In the first half of 2019, **Dubai International** (**DXB**) welcomed 41.3 million passengers, retaining its position as the world's largest international airport by traffic volume. Dubai International currently has an annual capacity for 90 million passengers. Under a process enhancement project, this is being increased to more than 118 million by 2023.

As the airport approaches its 60th anniversary in 2020, owner Dubai Airports recently unveiled a new brand for the airport. The new, fresh branding signifies Dubai Airports' direction to transition from airport operator to a consumer-led company, focussed on elevating the customer experience. The new branding embodies the company's commitment to making the world's busiest international airport, the world's best airport.



Credit to Dubai Airports



## **Clark International Airport, The Philippines**

#Didyouknow the operations and management of **Clark International Airport (CRK)** in the Philippines was officially handed over to Luzon International Premiere Airport Development (LIPAD) Corporation in mid-August as a hybrid Public Private Partnership project with a 25-year concession?

Located at the heart of Central Luzon, northwest of Manila, Clark International Airport is an international gateway of the Philippines within Clark Freeport Zone in Angeles and Mabalacat, one of the biggest aviation complexes in Asia. The primary runway (Runway 02R/20L) has a length of 3,200 meters and a width of 61 meters.

2018 saw a huge leap forward of total passenger volume with 76% year-on-year growth, registering 2.66 million. Aircraft movement continues to break record with an impressive growth of 97% to 24,873. Much of the growth is attributed to the breakthrough entry of Philippine Airlines and Philippines AirAsia as they eye CRK as their secondary hub.

With the aim of being an aerotropolis and a key economic engine of the Philippines, Clark International Airport gained support from government departments to spearhead an expansion project to magnify the serviceability of both landside and airside. A new passenger

terminal building is targeted for completion in 2020 and has a design capacity of 8 million passengers per annum with an area of 101,977sqm. The brand-new façade of wavy silhouette would allow travellers to have a taste of Mount Arayat and the Sierra Madre Mountain Ranges, augmenting travellers' experience.







# **Event Invitations for You...**

## 2019 OCTOBER



#### The Trinity Forum 2019 | DOHA

The world's most influential airport commercial revenues conference will be held in **Doha**, **Qatar** on **30-31 October**. This is the first time the event is hosted in Qatar.

Register Now!

### **NOVEMBER**



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#### Airport Exchange 2019 | ABU DHABI

The biggest annual trade show of ACI is going to draw 1,000+ delegates, 70+ exhibitors & sponsors, and 120+ expert airport speakers. The three-day event takes place in **Abu Dhabi, UAE** on **25-27 November**.

**Register Now!** 





# 15<sup>th</sup> ACI Asia-Pacific Regional Assembly, Conference & Exhibition | NARA

Our annual flagship event will take place in **Nara, Japan** on **21-23 April** to bring all aviation leaders, regulators and industry partners together in sharing the latest industry insights and promoting airport excellence.

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