The Spring Conference of the Airport Facilities Council was a huge success in no small part based on the hosts of the event, CVG airport. Some of the event highlights included a tour of the facility operations at CVG and a unique presentation from the Chief Innovation Officer and how some out of the box thinking can drive change with significant customer value.

The following conference presentations are available: (Click on the Links)

- **Asset Management**
- **Airport Trends**
- **SADF and Storm Water**
- **RD Weiss Flooring**
- **Seattle-Tacoma (SEA) Operations**
- **Electrical Utilities and Outage Procedures**
- **Integrating BIM and Maximo**
- **Schindler A Service Partnership**
- **Facility Management ROI Calculations**
- **CVG Chief Innovation Officer**

While we had very active sessions allowing the exchange of experiences and the sharing of ideas to promote our facilities. We still had time to take in a baseball game to allow the time to strengthen and build those relationships that last long after the conference ends.

**Join** Airport Facilities Council of IFMA and connect with hundreds of airport facility professionals worldwide because sharing information is a necessity in today’s global business community.
Message from the President

Dear Fellow Airport Council Members:

It was great seeing all of you in Cincinnati’s CVG Conference Meeting, I had a great time and I hope all of you did as well. I’d be remised if I didn’t take a second to thank the CVG team one more time for playing host, they delivered an awesome event.

Our jobs as facilities leaders have never been short on challenge, that what makes it fun. We all want our airports to succeed and prosper and that means thinking at a higher level than ever before. We need better data for tracking our assets and making smart choices about maintaining them. Improved diagnostics enable us to pinpoint system problems versus depending on someone’s “gut feel” about repair and renewal investments.

Plus, deciding about new technology applications whether it be electing to upgrade HVAC Controls to IoT models to save on energy and water usage or putting LED lights in the airfield for efficiency and higher illumination, or helping engineering select better flooring materials because we’re noticing the existing ones aren’t withstanding the traffic... all of these are important decisions we’re facing every day that require considerable judgement. Most of us make these calls daily without batting an eye because we’ve been doing it so long that we “think” we have all the answers. For you I would say slow down a little, the solutions that were best ten year ago, five years ago or even last year may not be the best today. The technology, equipment, airline demands and customer expectations are all changing at light speed!

So what’s a prudent Facility Leader to do, I say do your research, Google the Web, leverage your vendor’s knowledge and most of all don’t hesitate to call your IFMA network for advice. Collectively we’re a real storehouse of insight and that grabs my attention every time we get together. Your “secret weapon” in getting ahead and shining bright in your organization is right at your fingertips... my Council Colleagues have never failed to provide me great advice and support for whatever I’m struggling with at work... make them your secret weapon too.

Happy Problem Solving!

John
John Means, CFM
IFMA Airport Council President

The IFMA Award for Industry Leadership and Outstanding Contribution goes to Michael Riseborough. Riseborough is the director terminal infrastructure Greater Toronto Airports Authority

Photo courtesy of the REMI Network.
How a change in windows helped a DFW Airport bar sell twice as many drinks

Phoenix City Council Approves Airport’s Roadmap for the Future

Utah airports receive $19.8 million in infrastructure grants

Tampa International Airport “People Mover” Project Recognized

On standby: Winter operations at Frankfurt International Airport

TSA can’t afford security machines for new airport, so Salt Lake City and airlines will cover the $10M to $15M bill

Interesting Videos - Daifuku introduces advanced airport facility

5 Airports Taking Off By 2025

The Most Creative Airport Ideas

How to Manage an Airport - Heathrow
We want to invite you to the Airport Facilities Council of IFMA meeting held at World Workplace. This is a half day meeting where we will be having our open business meeting, hearing from sponsors and or business partners and holding an open town hall discussion. The meeting will be held on Tuesday October 15th from 8 AM to noon.

Breakfast will be included starting at 7:30 AM. We will get you out in time for the IFMA tours you may have scheduled. There is no cost to attend this council meeting.

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**Spring 2020 – Airport Council**

Proposed Date - March

Start Planning Topics of Interest
Information

The Information Section is a new section to the quarterly newsletter and we invite all member and sponsors to share information on projects, questions that they would like to post for feedback. Please share your ideas (Click Here)

Spring Event 2019 Town Hall Discussion Topics

The following topics were part of our open discussion during the last council event at CVG.

- Airfield LED Conversions (huge energy savings 50%+)
- Resiliency (Power back-up options (e.g., emergency generators, redundant power feed designs, geothermal)
- Facial Recognition Security Screening (who’s maintaining and what does it cost)
- Sustainability (what’s our role, how do we keep it “practical”)
- Maintenance Planning for New Technology (who’s doing what?)

If you have some thoughts, questions or ideas that you would like to share email to have them published in the next newsletter.

Email

Why Smart Airports Need REAL-TIME INTELLIGENCE

Posting from our member Scott Smith at OSIsoft.

Airport operations face evolving challenges that range from sustainability and energy management to cybersecurity threats and lean staff levels. Yet budget and regulatory pressures are an opportunity to implement operational improvements that ultimately serve airport customers. This can be achieved through the power of data analytics.

The convergence of IT/OT is well underway in the industrial automation sector. Airports can adopt the same approach and unify their operational data. Real-time intelligence from IT/OT systems can uncover misdiagnosed or unknown problems. Proactively managing airport operations is not only a responsible way to utilize resources, but it directly translates into better customer experience.

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When airports are maintained properly, birds move elsewhere.

Birds and wildlife are an important part of our natural environment. And, just like us, they need food and shelter to survive. However, airports are industrial sites that serve more than 2 million people daily in the United States.

Aircraft and birds DO NOT MIX. Bird strikes are a significant threat to flight safety. There are almost 13,000 bird strikes per year in the U.S. More than half of the reported bird strikes occur from July to October when young birds fledge and Fall migrations occur.

When airports are maintained properly with the correct vegetation management program, the potential for bird and wildlife strikes is minimized.

Nutrien Solutions will help you design an effective vegetation management program.

Nutrien Solutions can help you design an effective vegetation management program for your airport facility.

Nutrien Solutions is a full-service natural resources company, and we can help your team to design an effective, worry-free vegetation management program. This includes everything from identifying weed species and desirable grasses to providing qualified professionals who specialize in airport applications.

We focus on designing programs that will increase the safety of your facility by reducing the potential for bird and wildlife strikes.

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This map represents the location of all of our current 201 members of the IFMA Airport Council. Please continue to reach out to your counterparts across other airports and encourage participation.
Pictures from CVG

The Sessions

The Tour

The Game