

Angela Gittens named Global Ambassador of ACI-ICAO program



Angela Gittens has been appointed as Program Ambassador of Airport Management Professional Accreditation Programme

Airports Council International (ACI) World, along with the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), has announced the appointment of Angela Gittens, former Director General at ACI World, as program ambassador of the renowned ACI-ICAO Airport Management Professional Accreditation Programme (AMPAP).

A joint initiative between ACI World and ICAO, AMPAP is the longest running training co-operation between the two global aviation organizations. The program's aim is to develop a new generation of airport management professionals through a curriculum covering all functional areas of the airport business. Successful completion of the program leads to the issuance of the globally recognized International Airport Professional (IAP) designation or AMPAP Associate diploma award.

In addition to leading ACI World for 12 years, Gittens was formerly airport CEO at Miami and Atlanta and Deputy at San Francisco International Airport. Prior to this, Gittens led HNTB Corporation's airport business and strategic planning practice, and at TBI Airport Management, she oversaw the transition to private ownership of London Luton Airport. She is a Fellow of the Royal Aeronautical Society and has served on numerous aviation industry boards and committees. She currently sits as Chair of the board of Schiphol USA.

Gittens appointment as Program Ambassador at AMPAP aims to further promote the program as the premier global airport management accreditation.

"Angela possesses vast experience, is an active member of the airport community, and brings a wide array of knowledge and expertise to her position. AMPAP is adapting to serve the leadership development needs required by airport managers worldwide. It provides the only global ACI-ICAO management accreditation that develops innovative, customer-centric, sustainable, safe, and secure air travel leadership skills. I am confident that Angela will leverage her background to advance AMPAP's visibility and its objective to support our airport members around the globe and across the aviation ecosystem," says Luis Felipe de Oliveira, Director General, ACI World.

"AMPAP is an excellent example of what ACI and ICAO can accomplish together when they pool their expertise and resources. Angela Gittens' very distinguished professional reputation and accomplishments on behalf of global airports make her a perfect new AMPAP Ambassador, and I look forward to working with her for the benefit of promoting and developing this important Program supporting and enhancing airport management globally," adds Juan Carlos Salazar, Secretary General, ICAO.

"It is an honour and a pleasure to associate with ACI and ICAO in promoting the excellence of airport management and operation through AMPAP, the pre-eminent educational resource for both aspiring and established aviation professionals—a dynamic Program for a dynamic industry.

"I pledge to work with leadership to continue AMPAP's curriculum development to help practitioners meet the current and emerging challenges they face, for the benefit of the travelling public and the communities aviation serves," comments Gittens.