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Future-Ready Airports: Future of Aviation: Building Resilience Through Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management

People

Deadline: 17 Sep 2026

Type:	Conference
Location:	Lima, Peru
Date:	28 Sep 2026 to 29 Sep 2026
Duration:	8 Days
Thematic Area:	Disaster Risk Reduction, , Technology, Artificial Intelligence and Digital Policy, , Other
Website:	https://unitar.org/sustainable-development-goals/people/our-portfolio/airports-...
Price:	$0.00
Event Focal Point Email:	airports@unitar.org
Partnership:	International Civil Aviation Organisation

BACKGROUND

In collaboration with ACI and the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), CIFAL Atlanta joined the 2026 Air Transport Summit reaching approximately 600 airport and aviation leaders from Latin America and the Caribbean.

EVENT OBJECTIVES

A collaborative agreement with Airports Council International (ACI) was formalized to reach over 300 airports across Latin America and the Caribbean through training focused on disaster preparedness and environmental sustainability.

CONTENT AND STRUCTURE

The Airports Global Training Programme was presented by Ms. Estrella Merlos of UNITAR with special participation of Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport Senior Leadership, including Senior Deputy General Manager and CFO Mr. Bryan Benefiel, Senior Deputy General Manager for Operations Mr. Augustus Hudson, and Senior Executive Director Ms. Alrene Barr. Atlanta Airport, as the world's busiest airport reaffirmed its commitment to support international collaboration, knowledge exchange and global aviation development initiatives, while recognizing the Airports Programme as essential training services for airport operations. CIFAL Miami Director Ms. Maricarmen Estrada reiterated the importance of turning knowledge into practical training, stronger resilience and meaningful partnerships across Latin America and the Caribbean.

METHODOLOGY

In the framework of this collaboration, UNITAR's Airports Global Training Programme, delivered with the support of Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport and the Georgia Institute of Technology Enterprise Innovation Institute, aims to serve as a tool for airports, governments, international organizations and key stakeholders to address priority areas for the aviation sector, with a focus on resilience and sustainability. UNITAR's Airports Programme was presented during the Air Transport Summit, convened by ACI-LAC, the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), Peru's Civil Aviation Authority and the Latin America Civil Aviation Commission (LACAC).

TARGETED AUDIENCE

The MoU was presented in the framework of the ACI-LAC and ACI World Annual General Assembly hosted by Lima Airport Partners (LAP) with more than 600 participants, including industry executives, government authorities and aviation experts.