



Other domestic airports under construction are Yanbu, Tabuk and Al Ulla. The latter being a new airport for that area. Several others are under the Planning and Study phases.

The BAG Delegation presentations followed.

Mr. Malcolm Trigg – BAG Chairman. Mr. Trigg introduced BAG as being a group of over 170 aviation focused UK companies, operating under the umbrella of the Society of British Aerospace Companies. BAG representing the Civil Aviation Sector. The UK was quoted as being the “world Leader in innovation & management of airlines, airports and air traffic management”. The BAG Group represents the expertise of all aspects of UK Civil Aviation industry.

Halcrow Group Ltd – Mr. Bill Millington, Director Airports & Air Transport, presented Halcrow as one of the largest engineering consultancies in the UK, currently working in over 70 countries. He outlined several examples of aviation projects in the Middle East, Far East and Europe. Halcrow offer Validation of Airport Master Plans, balancing designs with capacity, airport modeling and simulation, Terminal Building simulation, Facility modeling backed up with Terminal Simulation Demonstrations.

Arup – Mr. Peter Budd, Director, outlined Arup’s multidisciplinary approach to providing a total service to airport clients, including Master Planning, Passenger Terminals, Airside Facilities, Landside Facilities, Aircraft Maintenance Facilities, Cargo Terminals, non-Aeronautical Facilities, Civil and Infrastructure Works. Mr. Budd drew attention to the special needs of seasonal “Event” traffic, VIP Traffic and Passenger expectations and the respective demands on the infrastructure, communications, airport facilities and outside transportation.

Pascal & Watson Architects – Mr. Alan Lamond, Aviation Director, gave an enlightening presentation on the new London Heathrow Terminal 5 Project, under

the slogan “Delivering the UK’s largest infrastructure on time and on budget”. From the initial design competition of 1988 the 260 Hectares project is due for Phase 1 to be opened on 30 March 2008. Phase 2 in 2011.

Integrated Project Management Ltd – Mr. Mike Freeman, explained that by employing and enforcing a strict management plan, IPM were able to meet the BAA challenge and reduce the project expenditure by some 40m UK pounds. The target was achieved by encouraging a “Change in Supplier Culture”.

By “Exploiting Supplier Knowledge to optimize value in their particular field” and by “Streamlining the management structure” the numerous suppliers and contractors achieved such a productive state of cooperation that enabled huge savings to be made.

Buro Happold – Mr. Alan Regan, set the case for the Air – Rail Link that will be essential for the ultimate success of the modernised KKIA. He highlighted the advantages of better access, environmentally sensible, short travel times, punctuality, and flexibility for seasonal and peak travel times, comfort and the efficiency of handling air freight. Mr. Regan discussed the cases for Light Railway, Metro Railway and

Above: Artist’s impression of the new terminal 5 at Heathrow Airport. Phase one of the project is scheduled to be completed and opened by April 2008 with the second phase opening in 2011.

Below: T5 Construction underway

