

# Searidge Technologies

Remote Digital Tower Overview for SG/24



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Pat has over 10 years of experience in the ATM industry, initially involved in product management and industry associations. Today, as the Key Account Executive at Searidge Technologies, Pat works in close collaboration with airports and Air Navigation Service Providers (ANSPs) to support their long-term surface management goals through the deployment of advanced video applications and unique software solutions.

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# Company Overview



- Private company, HQ in Ottawa, Canada - founded 2006
- Staff located in Canada, Singapore, Germany, UK, UAE
- 40+ deployments globally
- Owned by NAV CANADA & NATS
- Global leader of Digital Tower and Surface Optimization Solutions
  - **1st** Video Platform for ATM
  - **1st** AI Platform for ATM
  - **1st** operational virtual ramp control system
  - **1st** operational med-lg remote tower





- In May 2017, Searidge became jointly owned by two tier one ANSPs, NAV CANADA and NATS (UK).
- Our shareholders are global leaders in Air Traffic Management, Searidge is entrenched and focused on supporting airport and air traffic management.
- Searidge continues to operate as an independent business – Structure allows us to better service our customers, expand our reach into key markets and help drive innovation in an operational environment.

# Key Deployments/Programs



# Brick and Mortar vs Digital/Remote ATC Tower

## Traditional ATC Tower



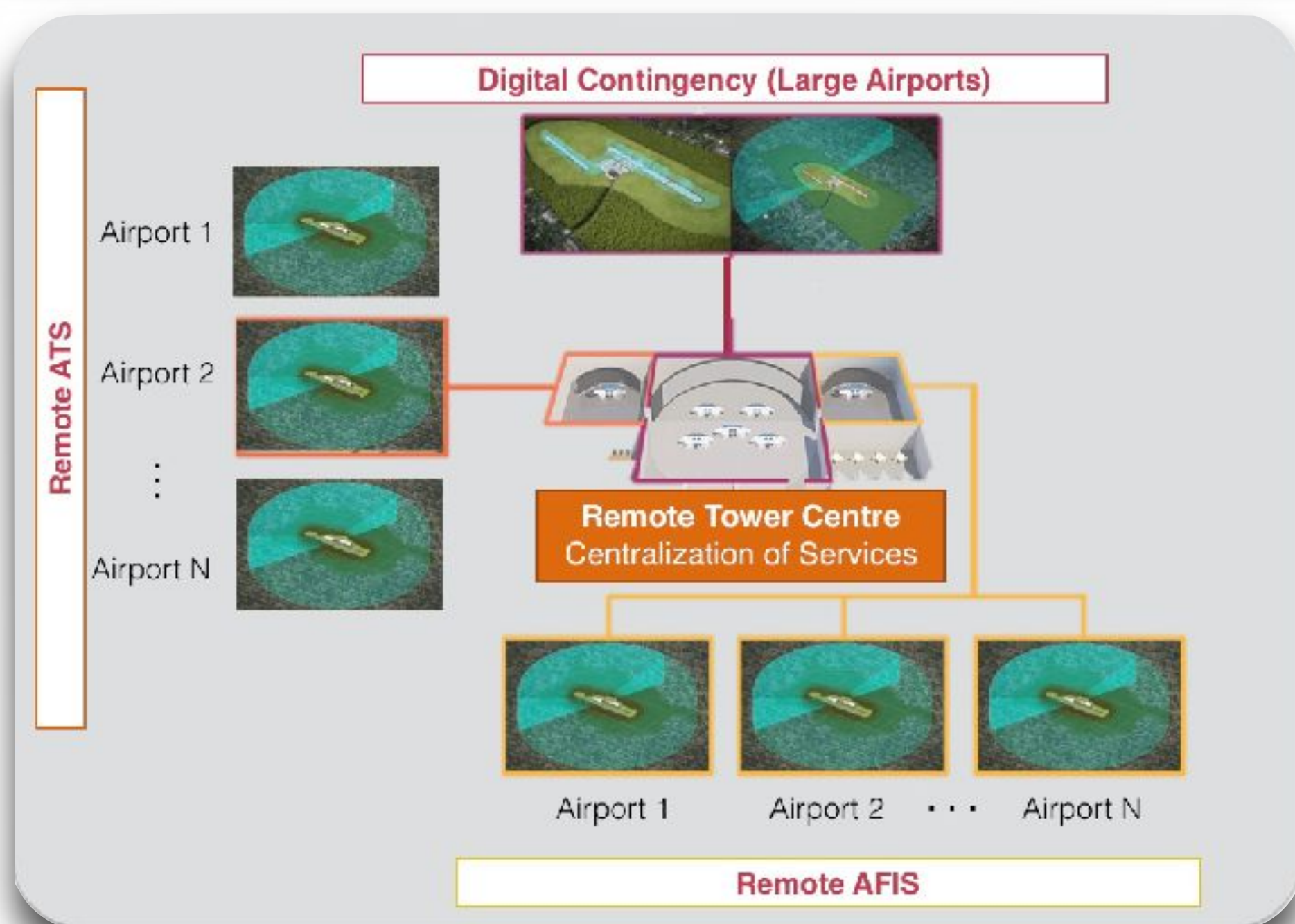
## Digital / Remote ATC Tower



# Remote Towers



- ❖ AENA FERRONATS, SPAIN
- ❖ FT. COLLINS - USA
- ❖ NAV CANADA DOMESTIC, CANADA
- ❖ GABALA - AZERBAIJAN
- ❖ CHILOV HELIPORT - AZERBAIJAN
- ❖ CANNES HELIPORT, FRANCE
- ❖ ST. PIERRE MIQUELON, FRANCE
- ❖ ENAV PROGRAM – ITALY
- ❖ CHONGQING LONGXING– PR CHINA



- Centralization of ATC Service provision via regional centres
  - Business Case:
- Eliminate brick & mortar facilities & Centralize ATCO workforce, systems, tech support
  - Key Enabler: “remoting” large amounts of video data
- Infrastructure-type Projects: communications, construction, domestic maintenance programs

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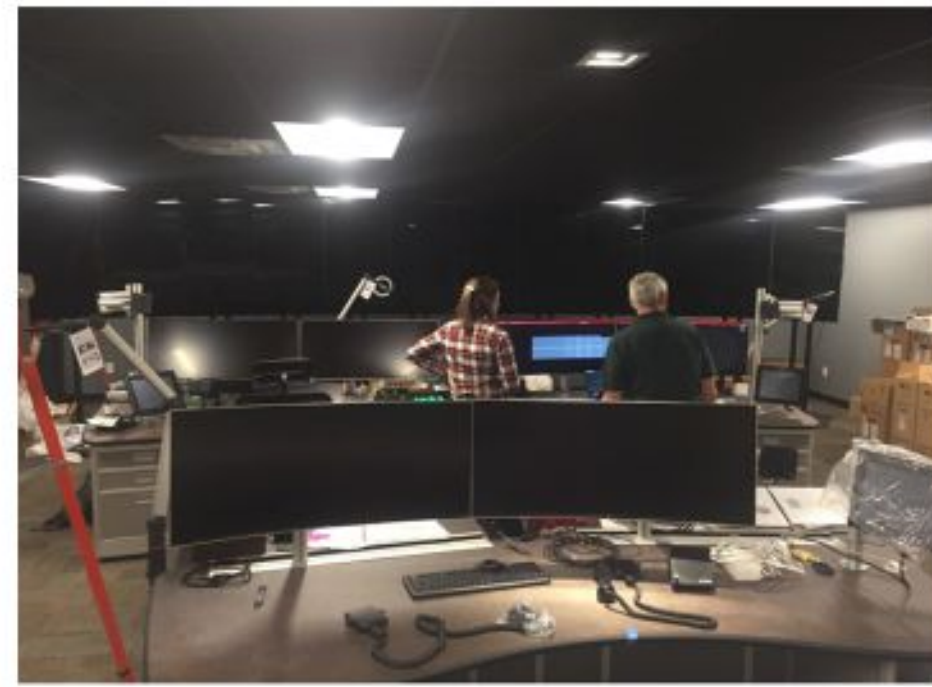


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Remote Tower  
PROJECT





Camera installation begins

Phase 0 (a)  
Preliminary installation & evaluation and testing

Phase 0 (b)  
FAA site acceptance testing & final system optimization

Phase 2  
Airspace is controlled by Remote Tower

AUG 2018

SEPT 2018

OCT-DEC 2018

DEC 2018

MAR-JUN 2019

JUN-DEC 2019

DEC 2019- AUG 2020

SEPT 2020- JAN 2021

Cameras installed & control facility remodeling begins

Phase 0 (a) Completed  
Installation & layout review

Phase 1  
Airspace is controlled by mobile air traffic control tower & system testing begins

Phase 3  
FAA Certification





# YOW Digital Remote Tower Development and Validation Facility



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# Red Deer Digital Remote Tower System

Digital AFIS Facility - > Greenfield RTS





# Saint John → Fredericton International Airports

Live Trails with Canadian Regulator



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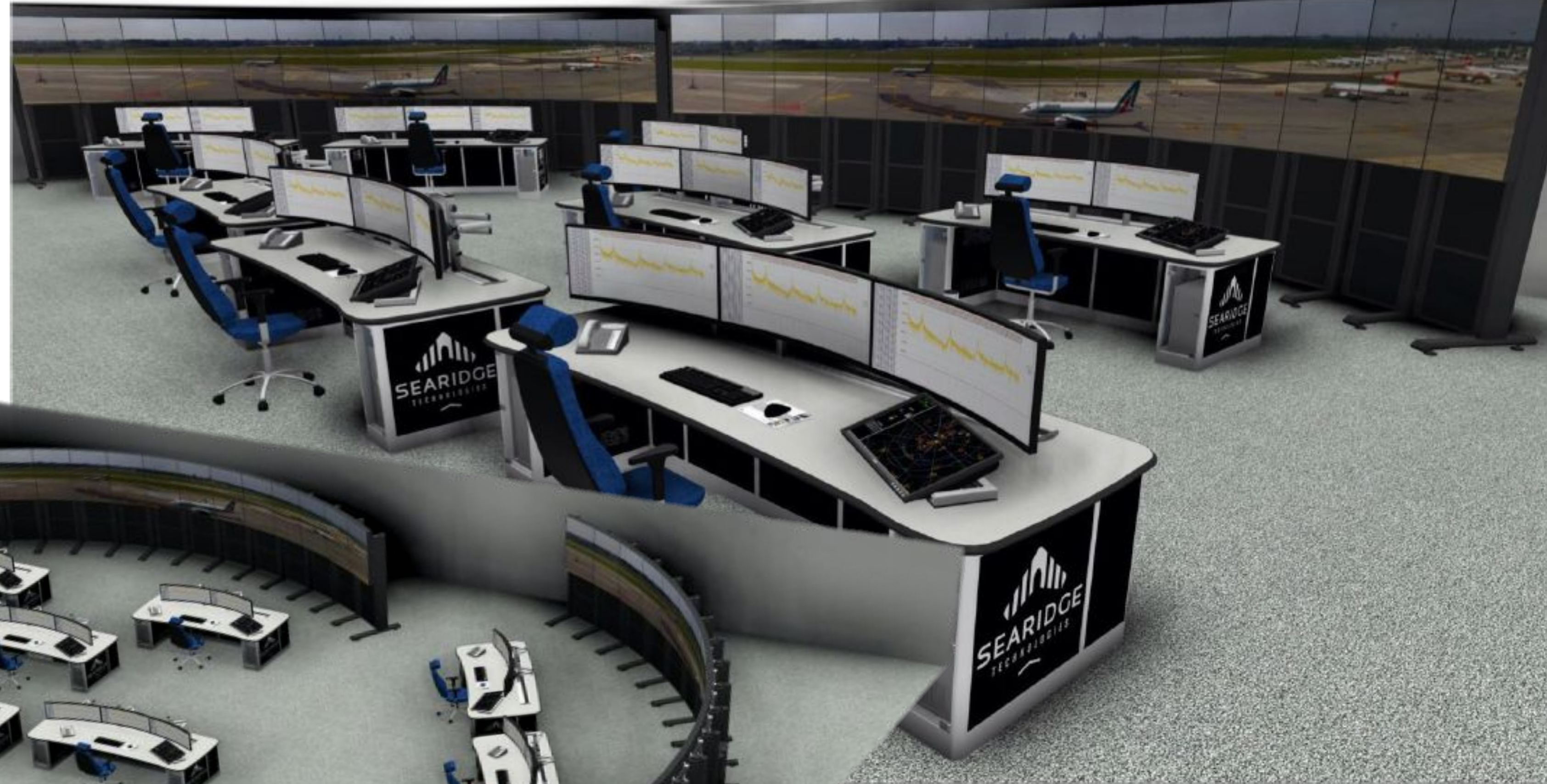
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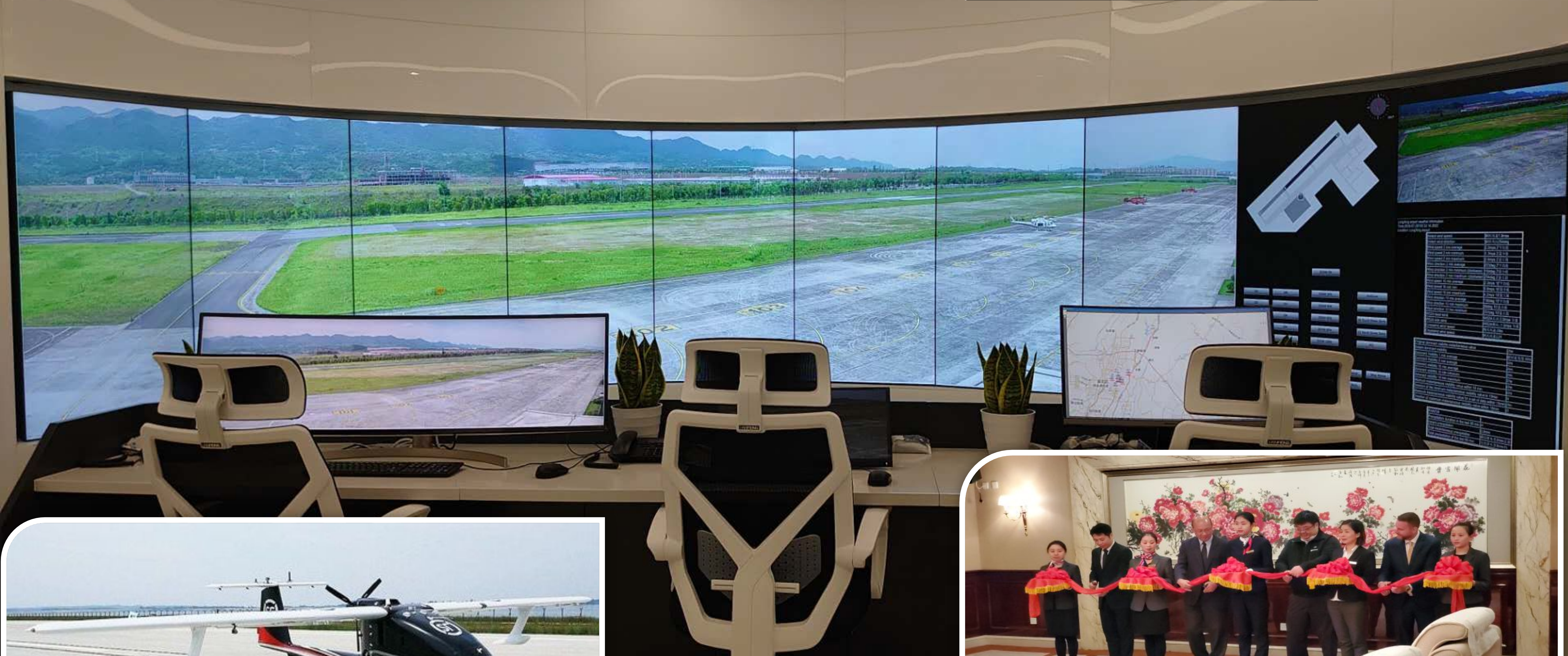


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# Digital Tower



- ❖ SINGAPORE
- ❖ HONG KONG
- ❖ HEATHROW
- ❖ BUDAPEST
- ❖ DUBAI
- ❖ SYDNEY



- Typically adopted by Large & HIRO Airports
- Complex Operation and/or Complex Integration
- “Digitization” of ATM systems & processes (integration!)
- Business Case:
  - Operational Performance/Throughput
  - Resiliency
  - Airport Expansions (ATC unit consolidation/flexibility)
  - Advanced ATC tools & enhanced workflow (automation/AI)



# Budapest Remote Digital Tower

Most Advanced & Largest Operational Digital Tower in the World





Digital Tower View

Tower Window View: No Visibility due to Fog



Use Case: LHR Heathrow Digital Tower



### Business Case:

Avoid having to build 2nd TWR for 3rd runway, enhance existing tower and VCF operations

### Solution:

Industry first 4K digital tower system

### Operational Application

Upgrade existing VCF with video capability

Blind Spot gap-fill for existing tower ops

3rd RWY = Digital Tower



### Business Case: Tower in the Cloud

Current Con-Ops: A- SMGCS Ground Separation during vis 2 conditions = 20% reduction in capacity

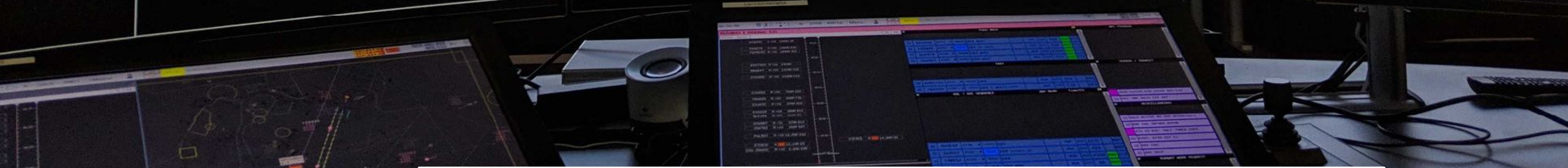
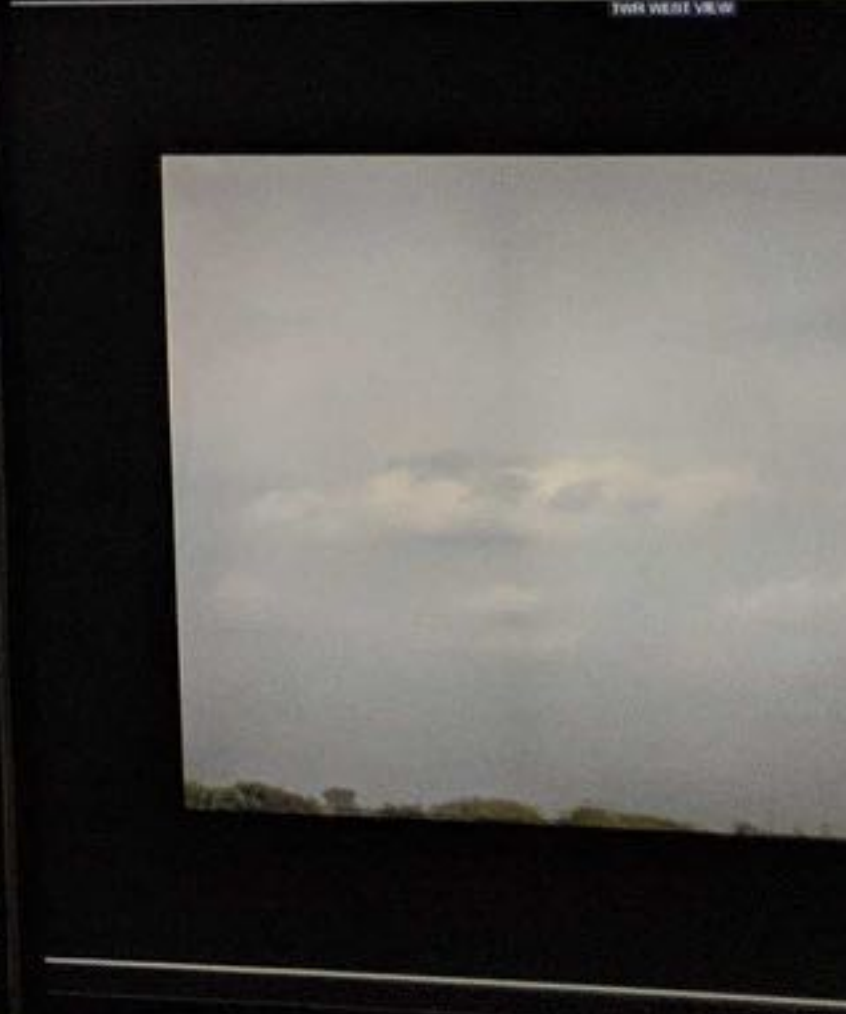
### Solution:

AI application (processing video & A-SMGCS data) to provide indication of aircraft clearing obstacle free zone. Match or exceed performance of ATCO looking out window

### Operational Application

Goal to augment both standard tower operation (during tower in the cloud) & VCF contingency operation (which currently uses tower in the cloud ConOps)









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