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# Central Air Traffic Flow Management System

#### C-ATFMS



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Indra is a leading Company in the International market in ATM automation Systems



+4000

+100

years of experience in ATM solutions

+85%

passengers in the world travel using Indra's technology, at some point of the flight

#### Indra Key ATM Costomers



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#### Indra ATM Experience

Indra is a leading Company in the International market in ATM automation Systems

- Being trusted to manage the busiest and most complex airspace Europe Core Area such as SACTA) for AENA, Maastricht UAC (MAS-UAC ACC) for EUROCONTROL, Prestwick ACC (Scotland) in the United Kingdom for NATS, Very Advanced Flight Data Processing System (VAFORIT) developed for German DFS,
- Being selected by the most advanced European ANSPs to develop the future ATM systems following the Single Sky Concept, through the iTEC Program (Interoperability Through European Collaboration),
- Having extensive experience and technological know-how necessary to successfully carry out any ATM program, with both a proven International management approach and a history of responsible program execution.
- ACAO Countries Key Customers:
  - Ongoing : UAE, KSA, Algeria
  - Handed Over : Oman, Kuwait, Tunisia, Morocco, Libya

#### Indra ATM Worldwide

Afghanistan Albania Algeria Angola Anguilla Antarctica Argentina Australia Austria Azerbaijan **Bahamas Bahrain Belgium** Belize Benin Bhutan Bolivia Bosnia Herzegovina Denmark Botswana Brazil Brunei Bulgaria **Burkina Faso** Burundi

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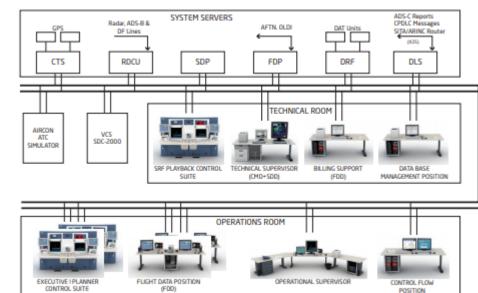
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### Indra CNS/ATM Portfolio

ATM:

- iTECH
- Aircon2100
- SIM





Automation System Overview

#### COM:

- VCS GAREX 230/300
- VREC
- AFTN/AMHS Avitech



### Indra CNS/ATM Portfolio

**Navigation** 

• Indra Navia ILS, DVOR/ DMI

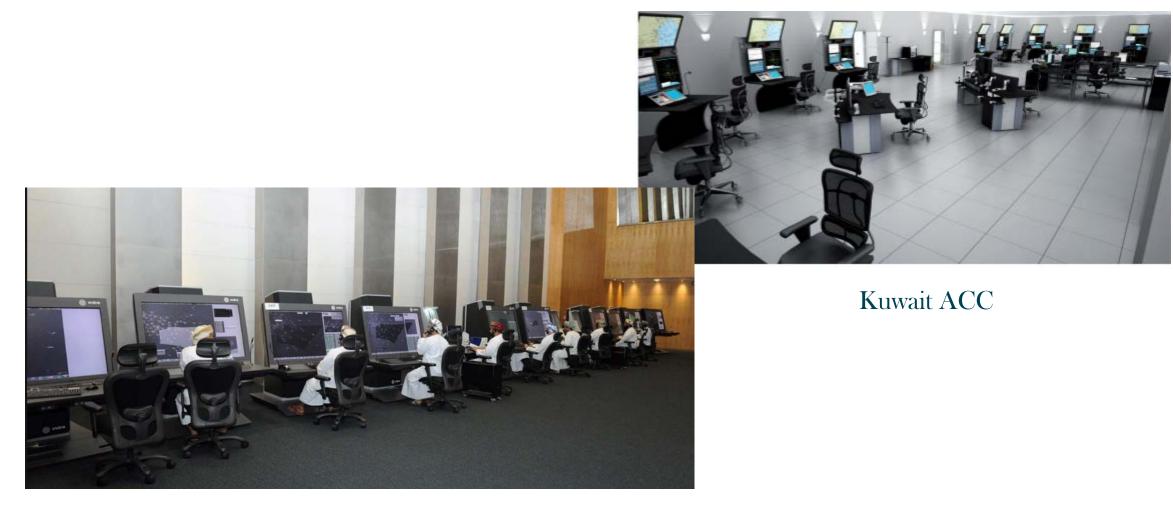


#### Surveillance:

• PSR, Mode S, SMR, ADS-B, MLAT, A-SMGCS, CCTV (remote Tower),



### ATM Projects - MID Region Examples



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#### Indra Strengths

- Our aim is to provide our Customers with comprehensive, full and turnkey solutions,
- Indra product range covers the whole range of Air Traffic Management Systems, including Surveillance, Automation, Communications, Simulators and Navaids,
- Indra experience in collaborating with third party Suppliers for integrated Solutions,
- Indra familiarity with working in the Middle East region,
- Indra commitment to provide all necessary resources to ensure the successful design, production, integration, installation, commissioning and continued support of the ATMS project throughout its life cycle during Defect Notification Period and beyond,
- Indra ATM interfacing capability with other auxiliary systems : ATFM, SIM, VREC, VCS, VHF, OIDS, GMCS, MET, AMHS,
- Indra experience in transitions management of ATM systems into operation with no disruption to air transport service or compromise to the safety,
- Indra commitment to provide Customers with the most up-to-date, cost-effective ATM system recognized all around the World.

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#### Indra Strengths

### ATC in High Density Areas

- Controllers need to process more flights:
  - Controlling tasks become more difficult.
  - Workload increases.
  - Incidents are more likely to happen.
  - Limited traffic awareness.
  - Non-efficient measures for avoiding congestion includes deviating flights and holding patterns.

### ATC in High Density Areas (Cont'd):

- Inflexible airspace structures reduce ATC capacity:
  - Permanent Segregated Areas.
  - Fixed ATS routes.
  - Cross border areas.
- Independent infrastructure evolution misses improvement opportunities.

### **C-ATFMS** Main Objectives

- Optimizing traffic flows according to air traffic control capacity while enabling airlines to operate safe and efficient flights.
- Provision of central flight plan data.
- Best utilization of available capacity.
- Assurance of protection against overloads and Smoothing of traffic flows.
- Minimization of penalties due to congestion.
- Improve cost effectiveness.
- Adaptation of procedures and systems to the operational evolution.
- Provide reports and statistics on flight operations and delay situation for managerial and operational purposes.

### Benefits of a Centralized System

- **Reduce ATS personnel** due to centralized processing of FPL and RPL.
- Provides a coherent picture of air traffic situation, flight planning, environment and forecasted capacity and demand.
- All centres have exactly the same information, timely updated improving inter-centre coordination.
- **Removes errors** due to validation by different ATM systems in each ATSUs.
- Optimal global solutions are found instead of local solutions which could complicate traffic in other areas.
- New flexible structures managed based on actual traffic demand.
- Increased ATC capacity.

### Central Air Traffic Flow Management Unit

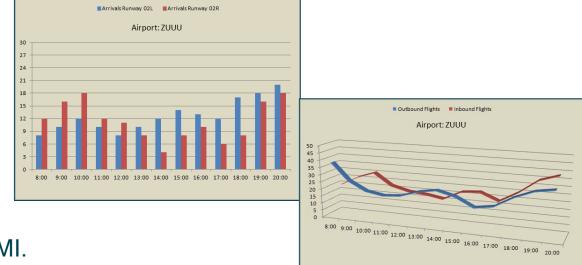
- Systems, procedures and personnel whose main mission is to enhance safety through co-ordinated management of the air traffic in participant States.
- It provides two main functionalities:
  - Flight Plan Management.
  - Flow Management.

#### Flight Plan Management Basics

- C-ATFMS reduces the number of sources of flight plan data to a single point.
- It processes flight plans and associated messages.
  - Correct submitted **messages are automatically processed**.
  - Erroneous ones passed for manual treatment by the C-ATFMS staff, with the benefit of reducing staff for these tasks in ATC centres.
- After correct processing of a flight plan message 4D profile is built.
- Messages are transmitted at appropriate times according to 4D profile.
- ATSUs make available, through C-ATFMS, any necessary **changes** in FPL.

### Traffic Demand

- C-ATFMS maintains all flight plans and RPLs within all the participant ATSUs / States.
- C-ATFMS computes demand figures for several days in advance using 4D trajectories for all flights.
- Airspace resources of different kinds are monitored:
  - Navigation Aids.
  - Published Way Points.
  - Aerodromes.
  - Set of Aerodromes.
  - Airspace Volumes.
- Demand is displayed in user friendly HMI.



### Data WareHouse (DWH) Function

- The DWH function stores data and logs from IFPS subsystems.
- Stored data and logs are distributed in the IFPS subsystems.
- Data and logs are used for:
  - The assessment of the performance of the IFPS operations.
  - Feed-back on tactical activities.
  - Preparation of the pre-tactical activities.
  - Support to strategic planning and activities.
  - Investigations of reported cases with anomalies or complaints.
  - Quality monitoring of IFPS services.

### Web Portal

- Providing access to external airspace users to IFPS functions such as:
  - Validation of flight plans and direct submission to operational IFPS
  - Retrieval of existing flight plans
  - Requests for valid routes between origin and destination
  - Flight plan statistics
  - Aeronautical information
  - System users help.



### Indra IFPS System Procured for Saudi Arabia

- Two IFPS Units in Jeddah and Riyadh:
  - Load balancing
  - Redundancy
  - Contingency
- Adapted to Saudi Arabia regulation (e.g Diplomatic Clearances)
- IFPS Zone expandable for covering whole Middle East area.
- Linking with adjacent Regional IFPS

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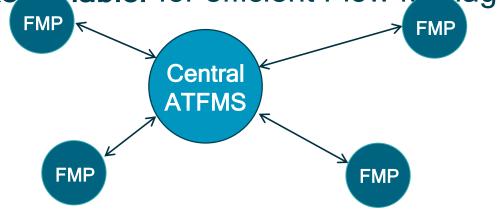
## Capacity Management

- Capacity schedules are defined in C-ATFMS adaptation database for monitored airspace resources.
- Capacity can be modified on-line from Flow Management Units (FMUs).
  - Bad weather conditions.
  - Navigation aids breakdown.
  - Industrial actions.
  - Etc.
- Updated capacity figures are immediately considered by C-ATFMS for balancing demand.



### **C-ATFMS** Design Principle

- The C-ATFMS is based on the ICAO Centralised Traffic Management Organisation (CTMO) concept which foresaw a central flow management unit supported by Flow Management Positions (FMPs) in each Area Control Centre (ACC).
- FMPs deal with flow and capacity issues within the area of responsibility of the ACC, including aerodromes inside it.
- IFPS is the main key anabler for efficient Flow Management



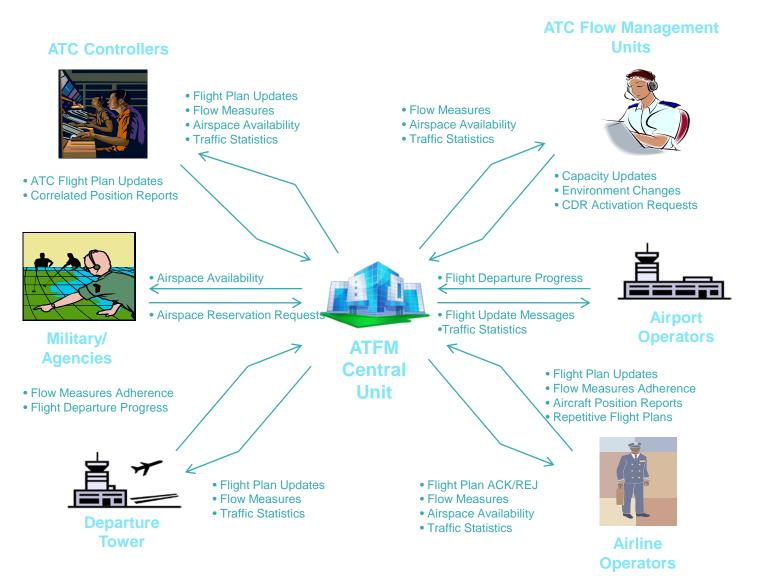
## Collaborative Decision Making (CDM)

- It allows decisions to be taken by those players best positioned to make them on the basis of the most comprehensive, up-to-date and accurate information:
  - ATC, AO, MIL, etc.
- CDM is a **Key Enabler** for ATFCM allowing:
  - Sharing of all relevant information between the players involved in making decisions.
  - Supports a permanent dialogue between the various players throughout all phases of flight.
- CDM needs to be an inclusive and transparent process which builds trust between the players involved

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#### Flow Management

### **C-ATFMS** Operational Structure



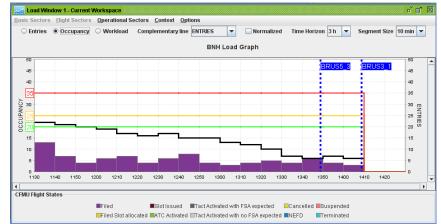
#### **ATFCM Phases**

- <u>Strategic</u>: 7 days or more prior to the day of operation and includes research, planning and coordination activities.
  - Outputs: capacity plan for the following year, the Route Allocation Plans and sets of other plans that can be activated as necessary during the next phases.
- <u>Pre-Tactical</u>: during 6 days prior to the day of operation and consists of planning and coordination activities.
  - **Outputs**: Flow Measures Plan and Airspace Availability for the day of operations.
- <u>Tactical</u>: Applied the day of operations. Updates the pre-tactical plans and applies slot allocation and other ad-hoc flow measures.
  - **Outputs**: Updates of plans and tactical flow messages.
- **Post-Operations:** Analysis of recorded data and feedback for strategic and pre-tactical phases.

#### Strategic and Pre-Tactical Phases

- Anticipates air traffic demand based on previous experiences and major events identified.
- Demands from airspace users (e.g. large scale military exercises).
- C-ATFMS supports strategic phase by simulating scenarios and providing statistics and stored data analysis.
- C-ATFMS supports pre-tactical phase with flow predictions and airspace management utilities.

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## Tactical Phase

- C-ATFMS continuously monitors the air traffic situation and detects imbalances in traffic demand and capacity.
- Imbalances detected covers medium-term predictions.
- Tactical flow measures applied to individual or set of flights:
  - Assignment and revision of departure slots.
  - Flight suspension and de-suspension.
  - Flight rerouting.
- C-ATFMS automatically issues tactical flow measures and provides support to operators to manage and negotiate them with stakeholders implied.



#### Tactical Phase (Cont'd) Departure Slots

- C-ATFMS sends the corresponding delay via **Slot Allocation** Message (SAM).
- C-ATFMS continuously monitors the situation. If a slot is freed, a Slot Revision Message (SRM) is sent.
- C-ATFMS sends **Slot Cancellation** (SLC) if flight is not operating or not longer regulated.
- Others messages are used by Airline Operators for:
  - Stating the readiness of flight.
  - Reporting missed slots.
  - Communicating delays.
  - Requesting new slots.

### Tactical Phase (Cont'd) Flight Re-Routings and Suspension

- Re-routings
  - C-ATFMS detects and proposes alternative routes among a set of alternative routes defined in strategic and pre-tactical phases.
  - An alternative route is proposed if less departure delay is obtained with it.
  - Airline Operators can decide then if benefit from alternative route or not.
- Flight Suspension

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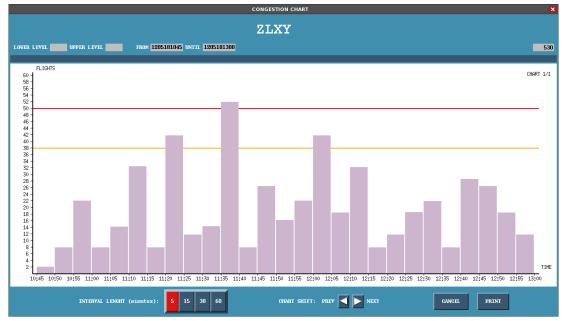
- Applicable in some circumstances. E.g:
  - Iow visibility at ADES.
  - Aerodrome closure.
     Flow Management

#### **Post-Operations Phase**

- Aims to improve the flow management process.
  - Recording.
  - Local and remote data access.
  - Analysis tools for exploiting data.
- Data recording is made in a large database and includes:
  - Operational data: Flights details, Flight evolution, Applied flow measures (manual and automatic), etc.
  - Technical data: Subsystem logs, System warnings and errors, Others.

### Post-Operations Phase (Cont'd)

- C-ATFMS provides statistics as graphics (e.g. bar diagram, pie chart, etc.) and flight lists.
- C-ATFMS generates manual and automatic reports (e.g. monthly reports).
- C-ATFMS provides all means for better understanding the flow management process so that it can be amended in the future.



### Conclusions

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- IFPS centralizes flight planning, management and distribution:
  - Coherent air picture
  - Reduces mistakes and Improves efficiency
  - Improves inter-centre coordination (both civil and military)
  - Repetitive flight plan management
  - Central repository of flight data
  - Main key-enabler for efficient Flow Management.
  - Allows to easily implement other central services:

Central route charges office Central allocation of SSR codes

Central investigation of incidents Process claim

### Conclusions (Cont'd)

- C-ATFMS centralizes the flow management process:
  - Provides fair allocation of airspace resources for civil and military users.
  - Globally improves the ATM operations network.
  - Process developed in three phases (strategic, pre-tactical and tactical) plus one analysis phase.
  - Automation systems detects demand/capacity imbalances and provides automatic actions for reducing such imbalances.
  - Enhance the safety of the ATM system by ensuring the delivery of safe traffic densities and minimizing traffic surges.
  - Automation systems provide support to CDM and manual flow management actions.
  - Provides reports and statistics that allow detecting opportunities for process and system improvements. Also monitors the adherence to established rules and applicability of penalties.

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