



GSE & RAMP-OPS

PODCAST

Episode 1 – Effective GSE resource planning

Release Date: 12th October

Description

We will discuss how a GSE operator ensures they have the right sized fleet. Many stations have too much GSE, which has an impact on CapEx and OpEx costs. We will look at minimalising fleet numbers and how using telematics can maximise the operational availability of equipment.

Participants

- Steve Cannon – Head of Global & EMEA Fleet Management – Swissport
- Paul Holmes – Managing Director - Smart Asset Management
- John Edmunds – Head of Fleet Management EU - Swissport

Episode 2 – Preventing aircraft and equipment damage: eliminating ramp rash

Release Date: 13th October

Description

We will discuss methods that can be adopted by ramp operators to minimise the number of incidents that might lead to damage to aircraft, techniques and tools such as: induction training; ongoing and recurring training; eliminating cases of unreported damage and near misses; the use of reporting systems; touch on the various GSE collision avoidance technologies available; and the value of telematics. We will also take a look at possible future technological or procedural advances that might help.

Participants

- Robert Powell - VP Technical Services - dnata
- Colin Temple - Director, Ramp Ops and Maintenance - BFS

Episode 3 – Preventing aircraft damage: approach systems and IATA AHM-913

Release Date: 14th October

Description

We will discuss the challenges faced by operators when operating to the standards advised in IATA AHM-913. We assess the costs of the technology that should where possible be fitted to GSE, associated staff training and other related issues.

Participants

- Steve Savage - Senior Analyst Ground Operations - IATA
- Bibin George Samuel - Group GSE Manager - National Aviation Services

Episode 4 – Equipment Pooling (GSE shared by multiple GSPs)

Release Date: 15th October

Description

We will discuss the advantages and disadvantages of pooling to different elements of the aviation industry, amongst them handlers, airlines, and airport operators.

Participants

- Liam Bolger - Head of Airside Operations - London Luton Airport
- Gennaro Carcassa - UK Station Coordinator - GH London Ground Handling Services

Episode 5 – The need for adequate airside charging infrastructure

Release Date: 19th October

Description

We will discuss the charging infrastructure that is required at airports to allow ground handling agents to employ fleets of battery powered GSE. Challenges to overcome include poor electrical grids in some locations and a lack of investment in recharging facilities at others. Is new battery technology that allows faster charging and/or less frequent charging easing the challenge?

Participants

- Gokmen Aritay – COO - Limac Kosovo Airport
- David Ucles – GSE Management & Services Contracts – Iberia Airport Services

Episode 6 – Through-life GSE capability management and total cost of ownership (TCO)

Release Date: 20th October

Description

We will discuss how a GSE operator should be calculating an item of equipment's TCO before buying it and assessing how that cost can be minimised. Good GSE maintenance is part of that, and we look at what IT is available to support that process.

Participants

- Paul Drever - GM - GSE Engineering & Standards - Menzies Aviation
- Gerd Van Damme - Chief Asset Officer - TCR

Episode 7 – Data-driven approaches to managing safety on the ramp

Release Date: 21st October

Description

We will discuss the value of data passing between handlers, airlines and airport operators when dealing with an incident on the ramp and safety more generally. We will also discuss the quality and management of data being recorded and shared: what should be shared and how?

Participants

- Witold Jaroslaw Proszynski - Manager Occupational Health, Safety & Emergency, Quality, Safety & Training - Qatar Aviation Services
- David Storey – Senior Manager Safety - Qatar Airways