

Panama Aviation Sector Assessment

Stakeholders

Tocumen, S.A. / Civil Aviation of Panama / U.S. Trade and Development Agency

Key Services

- Project Development
- Airport Planning
- Financial and Economical Assessments
- Financing Assistance

Project Highlights

The team met with key stakeholders from the aviation sector in Panama, including Tocumen S.A, Panama-Pacific Economic Area Agency, American Airlines, Copa Airlines, UPS, Air Panama, PanAmCham, Citibank and others to identify, assess and establish potential projects for development of Panama's aviation sector.

Description

The KED Group conducted an aviation sector mission on behalf of the U.S. Trade and Development Agency (USTDA). The objective of this project was to assist the USTDA to evaluate funding requests from host country project sponsors in Panama. As such, the team conducted two weeks of meetings with key sector stakeholders (civil aviation representatives, FAA, airlines, cargo operators and financiers) to determine current conditions in the sector and priority projects. The KED Team also conducted site visits and conditions assessments for several facilities throughout the country, including Albrook, Howard, Tocumen, Colon and David airports. As a result of this assignment, we provided USTDA with recommendations for funding of potential, high-priority projects that have feasible funding and contribute to the region's economic development.



The technical and financial assessment of each activity considered the potential sources of financing, including commercial banking, multilaterals and aeronautical fees; environmental, social and developmental impacts of the proposed projects and; the project's technical viability and potential user demand. Among others, we conducted an assessment of airports' landside and airside infrastructure, NextGen technologies, and cargo operations. The KED Team had conducted

a similar assignment in 2007 and other projects in Panama in 2009 and 2010.