

PROJECT MANAGEMENT SPECIALIST GROUP



THE BRITISH COMPUTER SOCIETY

A meeting of the Project Management Specialist Group of the British Computer Society

18:30 for 19:00 on Wednesday 6th December 2006

at Microsoft, Microsoft Campus, Thames Valley Park, Reading Berkshire RG6 1WG

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Terminal 5 - Challenges of a Mega Project



- The new terminal building will be big enough to fit around fifty football pitches across its five floors.
- The terminal's control tower will be the highest in the UK.
- Around 18km of conveyor belt will be used to transport luggage around the terminal when it opens.
- Download the [T5 Agreement](#) fact sheet if you would like to find out more about it

Nick Gaines is the Head of Systems Integration for British Airports Authority. He will provide an overview of the Terminal 5 Programme, one of the largest infrastructure projects in Europe in the last 10+ years. Nick will bring unique insights into the sort of challenges this has brought in terms of managing scale, physical logistics, and the application of technology. He will describe the strategies and experiences that BAA faced on the ground and in particular, will highlight the contribution to the overall project that BAAs innovative approach to collaboration with partners, contractors and subcontractors has made. Finishing up with a brief update of where T5 is today he will share with us a summary of the lessons that both he and BAA have learnt.

Nick joined BAA in 1998, and is currently accountable for over £250m of IT programmes, including all the IT and electronic Systems for Terminal 5, and the integration of all IT across Heathrow. He has been a key member of the T5 management team since the start of construction, and is also involved in IT and Commercial activities across the BAA Group. Nick is well known within the UK IT industry, for his expertise in programme management and IT market / technology strategies. He is a member of several professional bodies and cross-industry foray, and is regularly asked to speak or chair discussions at IT industry events.

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