

NEW QUITO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT SELECTED AS BEST PRACTICE ON ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY IN THE AMERICAS

July 30, 2009 – The new Quito International Airport project has been selected by CIFAL, a branch of the United Nations, as the best practice on environmental sustainability in the Americas. As noted by Alexander Mejia, Executive Director, CIFAL “It is with great pleasure that I share with you that the new Quito airport was selected as a best practice on how to design and build a green mega project, not only in the Americas but in the world as we are aware that no other airport of this magnitude is being built with such a high environmental focus.”

The winner of this prestigious award is selected on the basis of multiple criteria which includes the following:

- Minimum impact on the environment;
- Emissions and noise reduction;
- Residual water treatment;
- Flora and fauna protection; and
- Positive economic impact in the community.

CIFAL is a United Nations Training Centre founded by UNITAR, the United Nations Institute for Training and Research, and is part of a global network of 12 United Nations training centers chartered to provide capacity building all over the world.

Congratulations to Janine Turner and the entire Quito team!

