

Toronto Pearson Announces Departure of Chief Infrastructure Officer Bernardo Gogna and Appointment of Interim CIO Brian Tossan

Bernardo Gogna, Toronto Pearson's Chief Infrastructure Officer (CIO), is leaving the organization to return to the Middle East for a significant opportunity. Mr. Gogna is an esteemed leader who has laid the groundwork for the future of Toronto Pearson.

Mr. Gogna has led a significant transformation process during his years at Toronto Pearson. He has led us into a new era – the founding and formation of LIFT, encompassing scoping, planning, program management and major contract awards for the program, which is the cornerstone of our 10-year strategy. He also led successful engagement with the design and construction industry to develop strong and reputable interest from partners in LIFT. He structured the LIFT Program Management Offices, delivered the successful procurement, award, and initiation of the Accelerator Program, and launched the procurement of the T1/T3 Revitalization program.

Effective September 1, Brian Tossan will become the Interim CIO. Mr. Tossan is the organization's Chief Technology Officer, with a master's degree in engineering. He is an experienced and visionary executive with a track record of leading complex engineering and technology transformations. His career spans three continents and includes leadership work in facilities, manufacturing, innovation, and startup incubation. He will be supported by Khaled Naja, who will serve as the LIFT Executive Advisor. Mr. Naja brings decades of experience in leading mega-infrastructure programs at large hub airports.

Mr. Gogna will transition over the next few months, which, coupled with Mr. Tossan's and Mr. Naja's leadership, will ensure that momentum is maintained on LIFT, which remains the cornerstone of the corporation's 10-year strategy.

A global selection process for the next permanent CIO has been initiated with executive search firm Egon Zehnder.