

Angela Gittens served as Director General of Airports Council International (ACI World) from March 2008 to her retirement in June 2020. She was formerly airport CEO for Miami and Atlanta and deputy at San Francisco International Airport. In other previous roles, Gittens served as Vice-President, Airport Business Services for HNTB Corporation and Vice President at TBI Airport Management where she oversaw the transition to private ownership of London Luton Airport.

Gittens has served on numerous aviation industry boards and committees including the FAA Management Advisory Committee, the Executive Committee of the Transportation Research Board and the Board of Directors of JetBlue Airways.

Since her retirement, she serves as Chair of the board of Schiphol USA which governs the operator of Terminal 4 at JFK Airport (JFK International Air Terminal). She is also President of the Hermes Air Transport Organization, comprised of leaders from all facets of the commercial aviation ecosystem.

She was the 2021 recipient of the Downes Award, the highest honor given by ACI-North America and was a 2023 inductee into the U.S. National Aviation Hall of Fame, the first airport professional to be so recognized.

Gittens started her professional career in the health care administration field, first with the New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation from 1970-1978, finally as Vice-President of Finance, then to San Francisco General Hospital as Deputy Director for Business and Finance.

Gittens earned a B.A. in Sociology at Fairleigh Dickinson University in Madison, New Jersey and 84 credits towards a Ph.D. in Medical Care Organization at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, Michigan.