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## ATL's steps to success

Facility Management Journal

Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport recently launched an operational assessment of its terminal complex and processes in order to improve quality and customer satisfaction. The project involved conducting surveys and research into operational best practices that could contribute improvements and savings to the airport. While some practices focused on airport-specific equipment or processes, most findings were found to be best practices for facility management overall.

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\* Savings are from median company in database; half the companies performed better!

## US electricity use slashed with efficiency controls for heating, cooling

Pacific Northwest National Laboratory via Phys.org

Commercial buildings could cut their heating and cooling electricity use by an average of 57 percent with advanced energy-efficiency controls, according to a year-long trial of the controls at malls, grocery stores and other buildings across the country. The study demonstrated higher energy savings than what was predicted in earlier computer simulations by the same researchers.

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## The US cities with the most energy-efficient buildings

Fast Company

Energy used by buildings accounts for most of a city's carbon emissions — as much as 80 percent in New York's case, according to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The good news is that more cities are getting this message and encouraging owners and real estate developers to make buildings less wasteful. Since 1999, 23,000 commercial buildings have earned the EPA's Energy Star rating, a measure of efficiency relative to similar buildings around the country.

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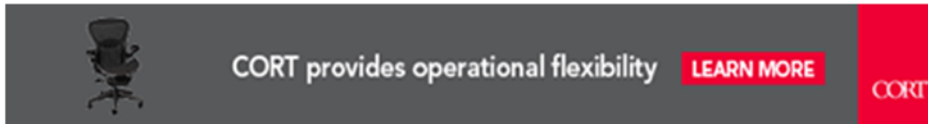
## Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors: Clean up buildings renovation sector

South China Morning Post

The government needs to address growing malpractice and corruption in the renovation of old buildings, according to a professional industry group. A Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors member said it planned to suggest the government establish an authority to regulate renovation work to ensure fairness and efficiency.

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## Mexico looks to cool roofs to bring in energy savings

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and residential buildings in Mexico realize energy savings of 7 and 18 percent. Cool roofs can be made of a highly reflective type of paint, a sheet covering or highly reflective tiles or shingles — or simply be painted white.

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EcoSeed

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## Barangaroo home to Australia's greenest office building

Sourceable

Barangaroo South's Tower 2 has been awarded a Six Star Green Star — Office Design v3 rating by the Green Building Council of Australia for its world-class sustainability features. The rating is the highest achievable under GBCA's criteria system and reserved for developments displaying world leadership in the field of sustainable design and construction.

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## An old skyscraper is going green with a massive, new solar facade

Fast Company

High-rise buildings suck up around 16 percent of the world's energy. Even though the most recently built skyscrapers are helping change things — like a 99-story building in Jakarta that will generate all of its own energy — that still leaves tens of thousands of inefficient giant buildings on the ground. While at least one group of architects has argued that certain high-rises actually ought to be torn down, for most buildings, experts say retrofitting makes sense.

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## Thermal energy storage essential to future of clean, renewable energy

Blog FMJ

Renewable energy sources like wind and solar are by nature inconsistent. This poses a challenge since our power grid is designed to create and provide electricity as we consume it. Energy storage can help solve this problem by capturing renewable energy sited at a facility or away at a power plant when it is available and saving it for use when it is needed, therefore dramatically increasing the viability of cleaner sources of energy.

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## Could the era of glass skyscrapers be over?

BBC News

One of the architects behind London's famous Gherkin skyscraper has now turned against glass buildings. Is it time tall towers were made out of something else?

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Green Building Elements

Biomimicry is the practice of using nature to inspire design. It has become more popular as the green building movement has grown. The Biotic-Tech Skyscraper City by GPT Architecture in Santa Cruz de Tenerife, Spain, is inspired by squid, using the qualities of transparency, flexibility, movement and protective pigmentation.



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#### **Making the FM case for millennials**

Facility Management Journal

Given that an increasing number of organizations believe that the successful integration of millennials with experienced staff is the fastest path to innovation, we must ask why facility managers have not yet realized how important it is to embrace this demographic cohort. If current attitudes continue, the profession of FM as practiced today might disappear or at least be diminished because of its

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#### **How to build a positive safety culture**

Facility Management Journal

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