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Norwich Airport & KLM UK Engineering agree £7m hangar deal



Norwich Airport and KLM UK Engineering have signed a deal where Norwich Airport will invest 7 million in a new hangar and workshop facilities for KLM UK Engineering at the airport to meet increased industry demand for aircraft maintenance.

Rigby Real Estate (RRE) will oversee the project. A 54,000 sq ft hangar and 15,500 sq ft workshop will be completed by August 2020.

With the construction of the new facility, KLM UK Engineering will be able to provide high quality aircraft maintenance and repair services to customers worldwide.

Richard Pace, Managing Director, Norwich Airport said, "KLM UK Engineering is a major employer in Norwich with hundreds of skilled staff. This deal underlines its long-term commitment to the region and is another significant milestone in the airport's strategy of creating a global aviation centre of excellence."

Rolls-Royce to offer TotalCare Flex services for Air Canada's Trent 700 fleet

Rolls-Royce has signed a new TotalCare Flex Agreement with Air Canada that will guarantee the availability of the airline's Trent 700 until the fleet retires.

Air Canada's fleet of Trent 700-powered Airbus A330s has attained over 700,000 flying hours till date. The first aircraft is now reaching approximately 20 years in service and this shows that the reliability and durability of the Trent 700 is unparalleled.

Adair Swan, Rolls-Royce Programme Director - Mature Large Engines said, "This is further evidence of our commitment to transform our services, providing the right care at the right time for our customers' engines. The Trent 700 is our most successful engine programme and kicked off the Trent family success story. As it reaches maturity, we can provide operators with this innovative and flexible service to guarantee the performance of the engine, right up to the aircraft's final day in service."

Richard Steer, Air Canada Senior VP Operation said, "We are pleased to be the first Trent 700 operator to adopt TotalCare Flex with a long-standing, reputable supplier such as Rolls-Royce. This further extends the strong business partner relationship already established over the years Air Canada has operated the fleet of A330 aircraft, and furthers Air Canada's goal to operate mature fleets in a cost-effective manner."



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Lufthansa Technik Malta obtains approval for A350-1000 overhauls



Lufthansa Technik Malta has received the requisite license from the German Federal Aviation Office (LBA) to carry out all overhaul work on the Airbus A350-1000.

The recent certification amends the approval to carry out overhaul work on the baseline A350-900, which was already obtained in 2018. With immediate effect, Lufthansa Technik Malta is permitted to work on the stretched version of the twin-engine widebody. The necessary overhaul lines and docks were already adapted to the new subtype at the time of the earlier approval.

Marcus Motschenbacher, Chief Executive Officer of Lufthansa Technik Malta said, "With this approval, we have further cemented our leading position as the only Airbus widebody overhaul site in the European Lufthansa Technik network. We are therefore very well positioned to provide long-term technical support for the entire A350 range. This is a great success for the Lufthansa Technik Group."

Comlux attains IS-BAO Stage 3 aircraft management operations

Comlux' VIP operations division in Europe Comlux Malta Ltd has received the Certificate of Registration to the International Standard for Business Aircraft Operations (IS-BAO) Stage 3 by the International Business Aviation Council (IBAC). The approval confirms that the Safety Management System (SMS) is fully integrated into Comlux Aviation's aircraft management operations and that the company unfailingly maintains the highest standards of safety and security in the aviation industry.

"We are very proud to join the select group of companies worldwide which have reached the ISBAO Stage 3, the highest-level registration issued by IBAC. Thanks to the commitment, dedication and "safety" culture of all our employees around the world, it took us only 4 years to improve from IS-BAO Stage 1 to IS-BAO Stage 3," said Andrea Zanetto, CEO Comlux Aviation "This award demonstrates a superior level of safety and professionalism in our everyday operations and our engagement to always provide our VIP aircraft owners and VIP charter flyers with the best and safer service ever."

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Cessna 172 receives new prime drop-in engine replacement from Continental Aerospace Technologies

Continental Aerospace Technologies introduces a new STC to install a Prime IO-370-DA3A engine into Cessna R and S series C172s. The economical, fuel-injected 4-cylinder power-plant is a cost-effective option to change the original engine at TBO for 180 horsepower Cessna 172 R & S models.

The Prime IO-370-DA3A delivers 180 HP which includes roller tappets and comes with a recommended TBO of 2,200 hours that extends to 2,400 hours for high utilisation aircraft. The STC contains the engine, a Bendix impulse coupled ignition system to give improved starting and reduced magneto maintenance, a starter, fuel system and associated STC paperwork to complete the installation on Cessna 172s which is presently using a Lycoming IO-360-L2A engine. The STC launch list price for factory-new replacement engines is US\$ 28,226.

"As always, we are committed to bring more value to general aviation. Our Prime IO-370 is a factory NEW engine with a factory-new engine warranty, priced at a point that makes you wonder why you would overhaul your current engine. Add to this our customer focus and you have a solution that will be favoured by fleet operators and owners alike. This is why we fly with you," said Chris Kuehn, Vice-President Sales, Marketing and Customer Support, Continental.

FACC to manufacture radomes for Airbus A220

FACC has been commissioned by Bombardier Aviation to manufacture radomes also for the Airbus A220, in addition to the Bombardier Challenger and Global business jet families.

The deliveries for the A220 commercial aircraft are slated for 2020.

"We are very proud to be represented on the Airbus A220 alongside Bombardier's industry-leading aircraft. The contract to manufacture the A220 aircraft radomes confirms that we are on the right track by continuously optimising our processes through targeted investments and meeting the high-quality requirements at a best-in-class level," said Robert Machtlinger, CEO of FACC.

Andreas Furthmayr, Vice President Program & Sales Aerostructures, comments confidently: "We are delighted that Bombardier is now relying on our comprehensive expertise, not only for the Bombardier Challenger and Global aircraft, but also for the production of aircraft radomes for the Airbus A220. This allows us to further expand our product range in the area of high-strength lightweight components and consolidate our successful cooperation with Bombardier for many years to come."

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FlightSafety offers Advanced Rejected Takeoff Go/No-Go Recurrent Course for Gulfstream G550 pilots

FlightSafety International is now offering an Advanced Rejected Takeoff Go/No-Go Recurrent course for pilots who fly the Gulfstream G550 aircraft.

"Our new Advanced Rejected Takeoff Go/No-Go Recurrent course is designed to review and reinforce the skills and lessons learned during the Initial course," said Dann Runik, Senior Vice President, Operations. "In addition to gaining proficiency in the Go/No-Go decision-making process, this invaluable course gives pilots another opportunity to fly their aircraft in the safe environment of a simulator under the high stress and demands of an emergency return to the airport after takeoff."

Pilots will face up to 13 new scenarios during the four hour simulator session. Each scenario will require a decision by the flight crew to either continue or abort the takeoff. The course will also help to validate the operator's specific takeoff briefings by testing them against various airports, environmental conditions and weights.

The course is now offered at FlightSafety's Learning Center in Savannah, Georgia. It will be available in Dallas, Texas; Long Beach, California; and Wilmington, Delaware in the near future. Advanced Rejected Takeoff Go/No-Go Recurrent courses are also being developed for the Gulfstream G650 and Gulfstream G280

aircraft, and will be available later this fall.

FlightSafety has been the official factory authorised training organisation for Gulfstream Aerospace Corporation for more than four decades. Training for the complete line of Gulfstream aircraft is delivered by FlightSafety's highly experienced and qualified instructors using close to 30 full flight simulators, as well as other advanced training devices and equipment. Training is available at FlightSafety Learning Centers in Dallas, Texas; Hong Kong; Long Beach, California; Savannah, Georgia; Wilmington, Delaware; and at the London Farnborough Airport in the United Kingdom.

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Magnetic MRO supports Finnair's ATR fleet with broad range of services



Finnair has signed a contract with Magnetic MRO for complete paint work, full interior refurbishment and maintenance of all 12 of the airline's ATR 72's operated for Finnair by its partner company Norra.

All 12 of the aircraft will get a full inte-

rior refurbishment which covers painting of overhead bins, attendant seats, galleys, bin doors, stairs and linings, to achieve a new look for the aircraft interior; complete refurbishment of the lavatories, and installing new seats and carpets.

"Finnair has exceeded all of our hopes as a customer as they have been very focused on the end result being as close to perfection as possible," said Magnetic MRO's Interior Project Manager Prtel-Peeter Kruuv. "Their attention to detail and strict standards for the interior design of their aircraft has lifted our team into new heights and made us work even harder. This project has been an amazing learning experience and we're happy to work with an airline so committed to the comfort of their passengers. We hope this is just a kick-off for further design and production projects with our neighbouring flag-carrier."

Magnetic MRO will also perform maintenance checks and painting of Finnair's entire ATR fleet. The project is expected to come to an end by the end of the first quarter of 2020.

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Embry-Riddle chooses Diamond DA42-VI for multi-engine training



Embry-Riddle has chosen Diamond DA42-VI for multi-engine training. The announcement was made by both the companies at EAA AirVenture in Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

"Diamond Aircraft is honoured to have Embry-Riddle select the Diamond DA42-VI for their Prescott and Daytona campuses," said Scott McFadzean, chief executive officer of Diamond Aircraft Industries Inc. "Embry-Riddle has been

at the leading edge of aeronautical training for decades, and Diamond represents the leading edge of general aviation aircraft, with an all-composite design, proprietary jet fuel piston engines and Garmin G1000 NXi glass cockpits, so the partnership is a natural fit for both organisations."

"In keeping with Embry-Riddle's rigorous focus on aviation safety, new aircraft for our fleet were selected follow-

ing an exhaustive evaluation by a team of experts on both our Prescott, Ariz., and Daytona Beach, Fla., campuses," said P. Barry Butler, President of Embry-Riddle. "We are honoured to extend our successful, long-term relationship with Diamond Aircraft Industries to replenish the Embry-Riddle fleet with DA42-VI aircraft, to provide our students with a highly effective and reliable training platform that will serve them well."

"The Diamond DA42-VI aircraft offer superior high-altitude performance and are fully compliant with Federal Aviation Administration ADS-B (navigational) requirements," Parker Northrup, Flight Department chair on the Prescott Campus said. And added that the planes offer "full authority digital engine control," known as FADEC, and therefore will prepare Embry-Riddle students to fly with the most up-to-date technology.



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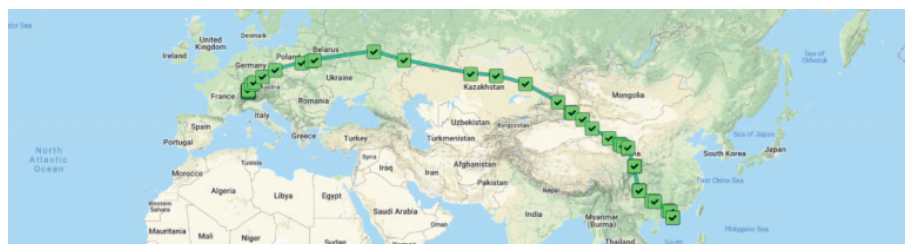
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Unilode completes trials for in-flight tracking solution



Unilode Aviation Solutions has successfully completed an in-flight trial of its ULD tracking solution.

Unilode worked with its strategic partner OnAsset Intelligence and tested its smartphone app which permits tracking of its Bluetooth equipped ULDs by connecting to an aircraft's commercial Wi-Fi network.

The trial took place on a flight from Hong Kong to Zurich and demonstrates that the Bluetooth connection between container tag and smartphone is func-

tioning across flight decks. The data that has been transmitted throughout the flight included - besides geolocation - information on temperature, humidity and light in the aircraft's belly. The proven capability of end-to-end air cargo tracking will open up new avenues in transportation safety by permitting live in-flight temperature monitoring and automated load sequencing control before take-off.

Adam Crossno, OnAsset Intelligence CEO said, "The entrepreneurial spirit

of the team at Unilode is amazing to watch. I am proud my team's solution can be used to finally solve the missing links in the air cargo supply chain and to provide true value to customers."

Benoit Dumont, Unilode CEO said, "Unilode's mobile in-flight tracking application is a great example of the co-creation powers between industry leaders. Mobile tracking applications have been offered by a number of ULD service providers since 2017 but have rarely been adopted, because they miss what customers really need: end-to-end transparency at their fingertips. We at Unilode are proud to have developed with our strategic partner a mobile application, which meets the customers' needs and underpins Unilode's ambition to bring affordable supply chain transparency to the aviation industry."



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Collins Aerospace Systems will be maintaining the F-35 and CH-47F fleets of the Royal Netherlands Air Force (RNLAF) by providing local field service engineers, test capabilities and the first F-35 global pilot readiness centre.

Recently, the company signed a multi-platform letter of intent with the RNLAF to offer support at both Soesterberg and Woensdrecht Air Base, The Netherlands.

The letter of intent foresees a first-of-its-kind pilot readiness centre that would provide on-location helmet fitting, flight simulators and altitude chamber training for F-35 pilots. Also, Collins Aerospace aims to offer local field service engineers and test capabilities at the Woensdrecht Air Base to reduce turnaround time on CH-47Fs and maintain the RNLAF fleet's readiness levels.

"Collins Aerospace and the RNLAF are working toward a common goal of supporting the new F-35 pilot readiness centre and maximising the availability of CH-47F avionics," said Craig Bries, Vice President and General Manager, Avionics Service and Support for Collins Aerospace. "Our legacy as an avionics leader makes us the perfect partner to help ensure these fleets are ready at a moment's notice."

Elbit Systems to provide complete EW Suite for Portuguese Air Forces' new KC-390 aircraft

Elbit Systems has been chosen by the Portuguese Ministry of Defence (MoD) to supply a complete Electronic Warfare (EW) suite for the Portuguese Air Forces' (PtAF) new KC-390 multi-mission aircraft. Finalisation of the contract is subject to completion of the Portuguese Government approval process.

The complete EW suite will be delivered by Elbit Systems for the PtAF's KC-390 aircraft. It will comprise of a Radar and Laser Warning Systems, IR Missile Warning System, Countermeasures Dispensing System as well as the Directional IR Countermeasures (DIRCM) system and Active ECM (AECM) system. This complete EW suite will offer the platforms with advanced protection to achieve the customer's operational requirements.

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First Brazilian Gripen E completes its first flight



Saab has completed the first flight with the first Brazilian Gripen E fighter aircraft, 39-6001. The Gripen E aircraft was flown by Saab's test pilot Richard Ljungberg. The aircraft was operated from Saab's airfield in Linköping, Sweden.

The total duration of the flight was 65 minutes and included test points to

check basic handling and flying qualities at different altitudes and speeds. The aim was to check that the aircraft behaviour was according to expectations.

"This milestone is a testament to the great partnership between Sweden and Brazil. Less than five years since the contract was signed, the first Brazil Gripen has conducted her first flight,"

said Hakan Buskhe, President and CEO of Saab.

The production of the aircraft had taken place in Brazil and will be used in the joint test programme as a test aircraft. Tests for 39-6001 are different from the previous tests because the 39-6001 has a completely new cockpit layout, with a huge Wide Area Display (WAD), two small Head Down Displays (sHDD) and a new Head Up Display (HUD). Another big difference is an updated flight control system with updated control laws for Gripen E. It also consists of modifications both in hardware and software.

"For me as a pilot it has been a great honour to fly the first Brazilian Gripen E aircraft as I know how much this means for the Brazilian Air Force and everyone at Saab and our Brazilian partners. The flight was smooth and the aircraft behaved just as we have seen in the rigs and simulators. This was also the first time we flew with the Wide Area Display in the cockpit, and I am happy to say that my expectations were confirmed," said Saab test pilot Richard Ljungberg.

US Air Force chooses Boeing for A-10 Thunderbolt II Re-Winging contract

Boeing will continue its A-10 Thunderbolt II sustainment work under an Indefinite Delivery/Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) contract received from the US Air Force (USAF), with a maximum ceiling value of \$999 million.

According to the contract, Boeing will manage the production of a maximum of 112 wing sets and spare kits. The USAF ordered 27 wing sets immediately at contract award.

"Boeing is honoured to be selected to continue as the A-10 Thunderbolt II wing kit contractor," said Pam Valdez, Vice President of Air Force Services for Boeing Global Services. "Our established supply base, experience with the A-10 structures, and our in-depth knowledge of the US Air Force's requirements will help us deliver high-quality wings to meet the customer's critical need."

Boeing will work with Korean Aerospace Industries and other key suppliers to deliver the first wing sets to Hill Air Force Base in Ogden, Utah.

Boeing had delivered 173 enhanced wing assemblies in a previous contract.

Govt. of Canada to modernise & expand its helicopter fleet through CMLU programme

Canada's Minister of National Defence, Harjit S. Sajjan has made a commitment to modernise and expand Canada's primary rotary search and rescue helicopter fleet through the Cormorant Mid-Life Upgrade (CMLU) programme.

Leonardo, as "Team Cormorant" prime contractor, will collaborate with IMP Aerospace and Defence to deliver the CMLU programme in Canada, with the work undertaken by Canadians. CAE will deliver Canada's first AW101 full motion simulator and other synthetic training capabilities. GE Canada will offer the new engines and Collins Aerospace will be responsible for the new cockpit displays and avionics. Other Canadian suppliers will be engaged through a robust Industrial Technological Benefits (ITB) and Value Proposition programme which will deliver the maximum value of the CMLU and fleet expansion to Canada.

The AW101/CH-149 "Cormorant" has helped the Royal Canadian Air Force (RCAF) search and rescue crews to successfully complete thousands of rescues, including several that received international recognition for their heroism.

Executives in Focus

Skanska USA promotes Dennis Yung to Executive Vice President & General Manager



Skanska USA has promoted Dennis Yung to Executive Vice President and General Manager overseeing Houston and Dallas.

In this new role, Yung will be responsible for Skanska's USA Building's Houston and Dallas offices while focusing on developing relationships with new clients, handling construction projects and cultivating new opportunities throughout the Texas market.

"We are excited that Dennis will be serving as the executive vice president and general manager for Houston and Dallas," said Paul Hewins, president and CEO of Skanska USA Building. "In his 20 years with Skanska, Dennis has proven himself as a valuable leader, advancing preconstruction services for our offices across the Central US and furthering Skanska's commitment to creating a safe, injury-free environment. We look forward to his contributions in this new leadership role and are confident that he will help us achieve continued success as we identify new construction opportunities in Texas."

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Daniel Greenhill joins FlightSafety Unmanned Systems Training as Director, Sales

FlightSafety International appoints Daniel Greenhill as Director of Sales of FlightSafety Unmanned Systems Training.

Dan joined FlightSafety in 2004 and has held various positions with increasing responsibility since then. They include Product Marketing Manager, Piper Cheyenne I, II and IIXL Flight Instructor, Assistant Director of Training, Director of Training, Center Manager, Director of Business Development, Director of Instructor Recruiting, and most recently Director of Sales for Gulfstream training programmes.

"We are pleased to welcome Dan to FlightSafety Unmanned Systems Training and look forward to his contributions," said Nora Ann Mishler, Director, Unmanned Systems Training, Commercial and Government. "Our Customers and prospects will benefit from his experience in aviation training and his commitment to provide outstanding service and support. Dan will be

based at our Unmanned Systems Training Centre in Las Vegas."



Bombardier appoints Jeff Cole as Business Jet Sales Director for the Northeast US

Bombardier has appointed Jeff Cole as Sales Director, Northeast US. In this new role, Jeff looks to drive sales of Bombardier's portfolio of business jets.

Jeff has over 25 years of experience in aviation sales and has held a number of important roles in his career, starting in Technical Marketing and Sales Support. He has worked in several positions of increasing responsibility and built a solid track record specialising in new and pre-owned business jet sales. Jeff's territory consists of New York City as well as Connecticut, Massachusetts and New Jersey.

"Jeff is an accomplished industry veteran who is well positioned to continue to grow Bombardier's success in a key United States market. Given his leadership and experience, he will bring a strong sales focus on Bombardier Business Aircraft's industry-leading products, which are renowned for their smoothest ride," said Peter Likoray, Senior Vice President, Worldwide Sales and Marketing, Bombardier Business Aircraft. "We are delighted to welcome him to the team; he will be a valuable resource as we continue to grow the Bombardier brand and expand our customer reach in the USA."

Andy Williams joins Gama Aviation's European Ground aircraft maintenance sales team

Andy Williams has joined Gama Aviation's European Ground aircraft maintenance sales team.

Andy has worked in the aviation industry for over 25 years. He worked for companies like Honeywell, RUAG, Jet Aviation and Cobham.

He has deep knowledge about Proline upgrades, FANS1/A, CPDLC, ADS-B Out and connectivity projects.

Andy joins a team on a run of recent summer successes after securing major inputs for three Bombardier Challenger 604s and a Bombardier Global.

Mark Durcan, Head of Jets, Europe Ground said, "Andy joins us as we continue to drive the jet aircraft maintenance business forward. His avionics experience, natural affinity with operators and OEMs will be focused initially converting the opportunities we have with the impending FAA and Eurocontrol mandates for ADS-B Out, FANS1/A and CPDLC. This will be augmented with his Bombardier Challenger, Global and Gulfstream experience as we extend our capabilities over the coming years particularly as the demand for data connectivity increases."

Andy Williams, Sales Executive, avionics & connectivity said, "I have known of Gama Aviation for some time particularly through my time at Honeywell. What has impressed me most is that they are growing a business jet competency from the same blueprint that they operate their mission critical government contracts on. This means an unerring focus on availability and through it a proactive approach to maintenance management."

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18-19 Sept 2019	15th Maintenance Cost Conference (MCC)	Athens, Greece
24-26 Sept 2019	MRO Asia-Pacific	Singapore Expo Convention and Exhibition Centre, Singapore
15-17 Oct 2019	MRO Europe	London, UK
06-07 Feb 2020	3rd Aerospace & Defence MRO South Asia Summit 2020	New Delhi, India
24-26 Feb 2020	MRO Middle East 2020	DWTC, Dubai
10-11 Mar 2020	MRO Russia & CIS 2020	World Trade Center, Moscow, Russia
10-12 Mar 2020	MRO Australasia 2020	Brisbane, Queensland, Australia

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20-24 July 2020	Farnborough International Airshow 2020	Farnborough, England

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03 - 04 Sept 2019	16th Asia Pacific Airline Training Symposium	Marina Bay Sands, Singapore
24 - 25 Sept 2019	5th Annual Civil Aviation Training International Forum 2019	Sanya, China
23 - 26 Sept 2019	World Financial Symposium	Miami, Florida, USA
15 - 17 Oct 2019	Global Airport and Passenger Symposium 2019	Warsaw, Poland
22 - 24 Oct 2019	NBAA Business Aviation Convention & Exhibition (NBAA-BACE)	Las Vegas, NV, USA
30 - 31 Oct 2019	Wings Of The Future Forum 2019	Moscow, Russia
04 - 05 Dec 2019	Airport Solutions Indonesia 2019	Convention center in Central Jakarta, Indonesia
18 - 19 Feb 2020	Aviation Festival Asia 2020	Suntec Singapore Convention & Exhibition Centre, Singapore
10 - 12 Mar 2020	World ATM Congress 2020	Madrid, Spain
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