

Weekly Aviation Headline News

WORLD NEWS

Munich Airport receives ACI partner status

The Airport Academy, Munich Airport's training and education centre, has been awarded as Accredited Training Partner (ATP) by the Airports Council International (ACI), the trade association of the world's airports. The ATP programme rewards selected training organisations, setting the standard for excellence in airport training. The award confirms that the Airport Academy offers a high standard of quality, provides excellent training programs and enjoys a reputation as one of the leading training centres in the aviation industry.

Aruba and Malawi certify ExecuJet MRO Services Africa

The Aruba Department of Civil Aviation and the Malawi Department of Civil Aviation have certified ExecuJet MRO Services Africa to do line and heavy maintenance on select aircraft types on those countries' aircraft registry. Aruba, in the Caribbean, where many business jets are registered, has granted approval that permits heavy and line maintenance on Dassault Falcon 7X and Falcon 900 aircraft as well as the Bombardier Challenger and Bombardier Global series aircraft. In Malawi, the company is certified to do line and heavy maintenance on Malawi-registered Embraer ERJ-135 and Embraer ERJ-145 commercial regional jets, as well as their derivatives.

ADB SAFEGATE provides Fraport AG with new technologies

Fraport AG has awarded ADB SAFEGATE a five-year framework agreement which includes the delivery and installation of 65 Safedock X Advanced Visual Docking Guidance Systems (A-VDGS) and the expansion of the airport's existing SafeControl Apron Management system for the new Terminal 3 at Frankfurt Airport (FRA). Safedock X, is a new generation A-VDGS that combines cutting-edge display capabilities to improve situational awareness with state-of-the-art sensors, including a radar sensor, to ensure safe, rapid aircraft docking during all visibility conditions.



easyjet will see significant disruption at Gatwick.

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Gatwick braces for summer disruptions

While easyjet cancels 1700 flights

There appears to be a summer of disruption ahead at London Gatwick, the UK's second largest airport and the world's busiest single runway operation. The problems at Gatwick are derived from several sources including air traffic control delays and industrial action. Eurocontrol stated that the whole industry is seeing challenging conditions this summer with more constrained air space due to the war in Ukraine resulting in unprecedented

ATC delays, as well as further potential ATC strike action. Nearly a thousand workers are set to take eight days of strike action at Gatwick Airport beginning later this month in a dispute over pay. The 950 workers, who are members of the Unite Union, are employed by four companies: ASC, Menzies Aviation, GGS and DHL Services Ltd. All four companies conduct outsourced operations

for major airlines primarily undertaking ground handling, baggage handling, ramp agent, dispatchers and check in agents' roles. Given the scale of the industrial action, disruption, delays and cancellations are inevitable across the airport, according to the Union. The workers will strike initially for

During the strike period, Gatwick Airport is projected to see an average of 441 daily departures, with easyJet being the biggest airline, followed by British Airways, TUI, Vueling and Ryanair.

easyJet has cancelled 1,700 flights to and from London Gatwick Airport.

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Dominic Rothwell, Unite regional officer, UK

four days beginning on Friday 28 July ending on Tuesday 1 August. Then a further four days from Friday 4 August until Tuesday 8 August.

Data from aviation intelligence firm Cirium shows on the days of the new Gatwick strike, a total of 4,410 flights are scheduled to depart Britain's second largest airport – equating to over 840,000 seats.

Gatwick Direct, Red Handling and Wilson James. Unite regional officer Dominic Rothwell said: “Strike action will inevitably cause severe delays, disruption and cancellations across Gatwick's operations, but this dispute is entirely of the company's own making. They have had every opportunity to make our members' a fair pay offer but have chosen not to do so.”

In addition to the four companies where an industrial action mandate has already been secured, Unite is also balloting its members at DHL

AIRCRAFT & ENGINE NEWS

BOC Aviation posts second-quarter results

BOC Aviation has concluded the second quarter of 2023 with a significant milestone, as its owned fleet surpasses 400 aircraft, as detailed in its recent report on operational transactions for the quarter ending June 30, 2023.

Transaction summary:

The total fleet consisted of 652 aircraft, which included those owned, managed, and on order.

The owned aircraft fleet, comprising 404 aircraft, had an average age of 4.7 years. The average remaining lease term for these owned aircraft was 8.0 years, both figures calculated based on net book value.

The company's order book shows commitments for 213 aircraft.

In the second quarter of 2023, BOC Aviation executed a total of 73 transactions, which included commitments to purchase 20 aircraft, delivery of 14 aircraft (including one acquired by an airline customer upon delivery), sale of two owned aircraft, and 32 lease commitments.

BOC Aviation's customer base encompasses 91 airlines across 42 countries and regions, for both owned and managed portfolios.

The managed fleet consists of 35 aircraft, all of which are currently leased.

As of June 30, 2023, the owned aircraft utilisation remained stable at 99%. Two single-aisle aircraft were off lease, with one already committed for lease.

Overall, BOC Aviation's report reflects its continued growth and success in the aviation industry, with a substantial fleet and a diverse customer base.

Construction underway on Qantas Group's first Airbus A220 aircraft

Construction has commenced on the Qantas Group's first Airbus A220 aircraft, marking a key milestone for the Group as its fleet renewal programme ramps up. The aircraft's major airframe components, including the centre and rear fuselage, are coming together at Airbus' production facility in Mirabel, Canada, with the first of 29 aircraft expected to arrive in Australia before the end of the year. As the first A220 to be operated in Australia, the aircraft will undergo regulatory approvals, airport readiness and training activities before it joins the QantasLink fleet in early 2024. QantasLink has also commenced training its pilots to operate the new aircraft. The next-generation A220s will gradually replace QantasLink's Boeing 717 fleet which operate routes across Australia. The first QantasLink A220 will operate flights between Melbourne and Canberra, with subsequent aircraft to be deployed to other parts of the regional and domestic network. With double the range of the 717, the A220 is also expected to open up new domestic and short-haul international routes as more aircraft enter the fleet.

Orders and deliveries – Boeing and Airbus

Airbus v Boeing: Orders and Deliveries

June 2023 YTD

Airbus			Boeing		
Type	Orders	Deliveries	Type	Orders	Deliveries
A220	33	25	737	283	216
A320 Family	903	256	747	0	1
A330	7	14	767	15	9
A350	101	21	777	8	9
A380	0	0	787	109	31
Total	1044	316	Total	415	266

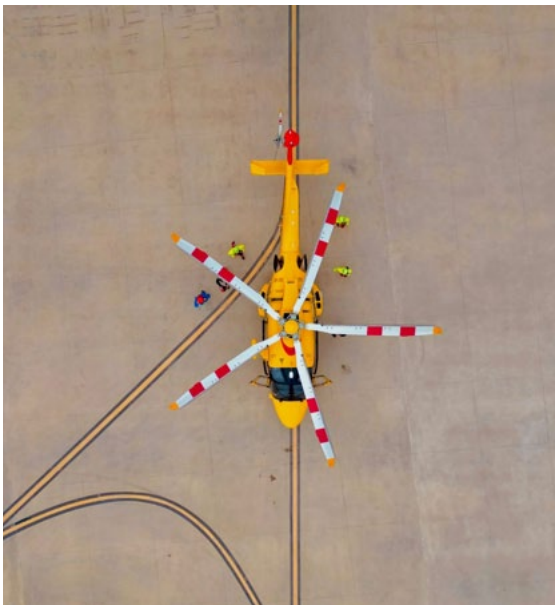
Source: Airbus

Source: Boeing

Airbus delivered 72 aircraft to 48 operators in June and generated 902 orders. The big order came from Indigo for 375 A321 Neos and 125 A320 Neos at the Paris air show. Air India too made significant orders for the same types in Paris.

According to Boeing's orders and deliveries website, the company generated 304 orders including 190 737 MAX jets for Air India and 39 787-9s for Riyadh Air. Deliveries in June totaled 60 aircraft including 12 737 MAX for United and 11 headed to Ryanair as part of the airline's fleet renewal programme.

LCI delivers three Leonardo AW169 helicopters to Alidaunia



LCI has delivered a trio of emergency medical helicopters to Alidaunia in Italy © LCI

LCI, a leading aviation company, has delivered three Leonardo AW169 helicopters on long-term lease to the Italian operator, Alidaunia S.r.L. (Alidaunia). The aircraft were all delivered new from Leonardo and are valued at over US\$30 million (£23.3 million). They form part of the LCI and SMFL joint venture (JV) fleet, which now totals 57 aircraft. The AW169s have entered service with Alidaunia over the past twelve months and are being flown on mission-critical and socially responsible emergency medical services (EMS) operations in Italy. Two of the AW169s support Alidaunia's EMS contract with the Italian region of Campania, operating 365 days a year from two bases at Naples and Salerno, the former 24-hours a day.

The third AW169 is also based in southern Italy, providing back-up support to the Alidaunia AW169 fleet – mostly in Campania and Puglia. The helicopters are fitted with state-of-the-art equipment, including recovery winches, enabling Alidaunia's highly specialised crews to provide EMS cover in the most inaccessible areas, both by day and by night. In addition, they will soon be equipped with the ability to transmit vital medical telemetry to hospitals and doctors in advance of the patient's arrival. The new aircraft are the latest additions to the JV between LCI and SMFL. They deliver mission-critical support to local communities and align with the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The units add to the more than 50 new helicopters delivered directly from Leonardo which help LCI maintain a growing, sustainable, and future-focused fleet of young, modern aviation assets, leased to major operators and end-users around the world.



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VAS Aero Services expands inventory with acquisition of two Boeing 737-700 aircraft

VAS Aero Services, a renowned global leader in aviation logistics and aftermarket services, has acquired two additional B737-700 aircraft. These aircraft will undergo teardown processes for efficient parts harvesting and subsequent marketing. The disassembly of both aircraft will be managed by VAS at Marana, AZ, with the process set to commence in July 2023. With this latest acquisition, VAS has now secured a total of 27 aircraft within the past 12 months. The Used Serviceable Materials (USM) parts derived from these teardowns will enhance VAS' extensive aftermarket parts inventory. These parts will be distributed through the company's vast network of worldwide airline operators and MRO (Maintenance, Repair, and Overhaul) customers. As the industry's leading provider of narrow-body aircraft transition management services, VAS has built a strong reputation as a trusted partner for airlines and lessors seeking to maximize the value of their retiring assets. Tommy Hughes, the CEO of VAS, expressed the company's commitment to meeting the needs of their customers. He stated, "The additional two Boeing aircraft added to our already substantial inventory ensures that we can offer superior, highly sought-after USM parts to our customers globally. This further solidifies our position as the premier provider of USM parts and solutions in the global aviation marketplace."

Virgin Australia's fleet renewal programme well underway

The arrival of Virgin Australia's first fuel-efficient Boeing 737-8 aircraft marked an exciting new milestone in the transformation of Virgin Australia with its fleet renewal programme well underway as the airline continues to work towards its net-zero emissions target by 2050. The aircraft is one of 33 fuel-efficient Boeing 737-8, and 737-10 aircraft Virgin Australia has on order, with more fuel-efficient aircraft set to be delivered in the coming months. With the arrival of the Boeing 737-8, Virgin Australia has also revealed its highly anticipated new Business Class and economy-cabin interior as well as confirming plans to refresh the interior cabins on the airline's remaining Boeing fleet, as part of an investment of approximately AU\$110 million (£57 million) to improve the flying experience for customers. Highlight features of the new Boeing 737-8 cabin interior include:

In-seat power for all business-class, and economy-class seats.

Larger overhead lockers, with capacity to stow up to 50% more carry-on baggage (individual guest carry-on luggage limits will not increase).

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Textron receives orders for five Beechcraft King Air aircraft from AvMet



Textron has been awarded a contract for one Beechcraft King Air 360CHW and four Beechcraft King Air 260 aircraft © Textron Aviation

Textron Aviation has been awarded a contract by AvMet International (AvMet), based in Fargo, North Dakota, for one Beechcraft King Air 360CHW (cargo door, heavy weight) and four Beechcraft King Air 260 aircraft. The Beechcraft King Air fleet will support the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia's National Center for Meteorology programme for cloud seeding. AvMet and its partners Weather Modification International (WMI) and Fargo Jet Center (FJC) will work collaboratively to equip the four King Air 260 aircraft with a Cloud Water Inertial Probe (CWIP), Data Logger with aircraft tracking and cloud seeding equipment. The King Air 360CHW will be rigged with cloud seeding equipment, a research laboratory and an instrument package for studying cloud physics and aerosols. The aircraft will be modified at WMI's headquarters in Fargo with sister company Fargo Jet Center (FJC). FJC's Part 145 Repair Station, which is an authorised service facility for the family of Beechcraft King Air aircraft, teamed with WMI to certify the Federal Aviation Administration approved Supplemental Type Certificate modifications for cloud seeding and atmospheric research equipment. Together, Textron Aviation, WMI and FJC will provide the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia's National Center for Meteorology with the newest technologies in cloud seeding and atmospheric sciences instrumentation. More than 7,700 Beechcraft King Air turboprops have been delivered to customers around the world since 1964, making it the best-selling business turboprop family in the world. The worldwide fleet has surpassed 62 million flight hours in its 58 years, serving roles in all branches of the U.S. military and flying both commercial and special mission roles around the world.

Coulson Aviation continues to support aerial firefighting efforts

Coulson Aviation has been selected as the only private helicopter operator for the fifth consecutive year to support Southern California's Quick Reaction Force (QRF) to fight wildfires. Contracting with Los Angeles, Orange and Ventura County fire departments with its fleet of Very Large Helitankers, pilots and support crews, this new contract extends Coulson's support of the QRF to 24/7/365, a first-ever opportunity for the company and the counties and the only contract of its kind worldwide. "Coulson Aviation is pleased to be part of this game-changing and successful force for California in response to the state's year-round needs," said Wayne Coulson, CEO of Coulson Aviation. "Our aircraft are on contract in the LA Basin, day and night, providing additional air support to the brave men and women firefighters protecting Southern California." This year the contract upgrades from two to three Boeing CH-47 Chinook Very Large Helitankers, a Sikorsky S-76 intelligence and recon helicopter, along with all the flight and maintenance crews. Coulson's CH-47 Chinook Very Large Helitankers are equipped with Coulson's own RADS-L delivery system, the largest fixed helicopter tank at 3,000 gallons and can "hover fill" in 90 seconds. Coulson also designed and manufactured the largest retractable snorkel, allowing for the quickest return to the fire line. The aircraft operate at night with pilots using night vision goggles (NVGs) and receive additional "eye-in-the-sky" support from the Sikorsky S-76 intelligence and recon helicopter. During last year's contract, Coulson dropped more than 700,000 gallons of water on more than 25 wildfires with over half of that under the cover of darkness. While contracted to the county fire departments, the aircraft will also be available to support partner fire departments within SCE's 50,000-square-mile service area.



CH-47s QRF demonstration in Irwindale, California © Coulson Aviation

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Wider business-class seats which also feature leg rests with extendable footrests, storage compartments, tablet/device holders and water bottle holders.

A new economy-class-seat design, featuring a ribbed backing to elevate comfort and ergonomics.

A personal tablet/device holder for all economy-class seats, making it easy to view Virgin Australia in-flight entertainment, movies and TV shows.

The interior refresh and product upgrade across Virgin Australia's remaining Boeing fleet will commence later this year, with the work set to be completed over the next two years, subject to operational requirements.

An entirely new seat configuration will also be rolled out through the introduction of a new design cabin divider between business class and economy class. The new divider will allow for greater floor space in the economy-class cabin and the subsequent installation of between six and 12 additional economy-class seats. The refurbishment will also include the replacement of one Economy X row with economy-class seating on all Boeing 737-800 aircraft. Once the cabin refresh programme is complete, the unified in-flight offering will deliver more seats for travellers and a consistent guest experience across all flights operated by Virgin Australia Boeing 737 aircraft.

Airbus unveils new A320-family final assembly line

Airbus has officially inaugurated its state-of-the-art A320-family final assembly line (FAL) in Toulouse. The newly opened A321-capable final assembly line in Toulouse marks a significant milestone in the ongoing modernisation of Airbus' global industrial system. This FAL will contribute to the production rate ramp-up to 75

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Delta Air Lines looks to expand fuel-efficient fleet

Delta Air Lines (Delta) is continuing with its plans to streamline its fuel-efficient fleet with the announcement of its execution of options for 12 new Airbus A220 single-aisle jets. Including these options, the American carrier has 70 A220s on order which, when delivered, will see Delta's fleet grow to 131 A220-family aircraft. "The A220-300 offers efficient performance and flexibility," said Kristen Bojko, Vice President of Fleet. "The continuing expansion of Delta's A220 family is an integral investment in the future of sustainable aviation." The A220-300 is powered by Pratt & Whitney latest-generation geared turbofan GTF™ engines, which allow the fan and turbine to spin at optimal speeds for fuel efficiency, delivering a step-change in fuel efficiency for its class. In addition to underlining Delta's investment in sustainability, Delta's constantly growing fleet of A220 aircraft complements Delta's fuel-efficient A321neo fleet. The next-generation A220-300 is a 130-seat aircraft which offers an elevated in-flight experience, serving domestic customers traveling to and from Delta's coastal hubs. The narrow-body jet features 12 First Class, 30 Delta Comfort+ and 88 Main Cabin seats. The carrier took delivery of its first Airbus A220 in October 2018 and was the first in the U.S. to operate the aircraft type. Delta currently has 16 A220-300s in its fleet, whilst also operating a fleet of 45 109-seat A220-100 aircraft.



Delta Air Lines has disclosed orders for 12 A220-300 aircraft © Airbus

Emirates launches regional charter service with Phenom 100 jet



Emirates has launched its new on-demand regional charter service with a Phenom 100 jet © Emirates

Dubai-based Emirates has announced the launch of its new on-demand regional charter service covering the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC). The new service will be operated from Dubai's Al Maktoum International Airport using a Phenom 100 executive jet which has been equipped to the very highest of standards. The aircraft will seat up to four passengers, who will each have a luggage allowance of one medium-size (15kg max) bag and a small carry-on bag. The principal advantages of this charter service include a high level of flexibility, with a hassle-free ground experience. In Dubai, customers can expect Emirates Chauffeur Drive Services to transport them to the airport in Dubai, and VIP treatment upon arrival with a dedicated representative to fully support them throughout the airport journey, guaranteeing minimal pre-flight wait times. At their destination, customers will benefit from a fast on-ground escorted arrival and quick VIP clearance at customs and immigration provided by private terminal service partners. They will also have access to the private terminal lounge upon arrival.

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A320-family aircraft per month by 2026, while catering to the increased demand for A321s, which currently represent around 60% of the total A320-family backlog. Airbus CEO Guillaume Faury expressed his satisfaction with the new facility, which joins the company's worldwide network of final assembly sites, including four FALs in Hamburg, Germany; two in Toulouse, France; two in Mobile, United States and two in Tianjin, China, all capable of assembling the A321. The latest A320-family final assembly line incorporates various innovative features aimed at optimising product quality, efficiency and setting new standards for health, safety, and sustainability. Notable innovations include digital production control utilising tablets and smartphones to reduce paper consumption, automated logistics for efficient parts distribution and the use of lightweight robots for assembly. Located in the former A380 "Jean-Luc Lagardère" assembly building, the new FAL commenced initial operations at the end of 2022 with the delivery of the first fuselage sections. The rollout of the first fully assembled aircraft in this facility, an A321, is expected to occur by the end of this year. Over the next few years,

Quickstep signs MoU with Alliance Airlines

Quickstep Holdings (Quickstep) has signed a strategic Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Alliance Aviation Services (Alliance). The MoU opens a period of detailed negotiation to secure formal contracting arrangements in support of Alliance Airlines' growing fleet of Embraer E190 aircraft. The scope of the MOU is significant and seeks to provide a unique



Quickstep has signed an MoU with Alliance Airlines to support the carrier's Embraer E190 fleet
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component repair capability to the Alliance fleet expansion programme. The key outcomes intended from the MoU are a multi-year component support agreement for Alliance's Embraer E190 fleet, onshore composite, metal and bonded component support in partnership with the global supply chain, onshore nacelle support provided by Quickstep with support from the original equipment manufacturer, as well as on-site technical support at the new Alliance heavy maintenance facility in Rockhampton, QLD. Alliance's Managing Director, Scott McMillan commented: "It's particularly important for the aviation industry in Australia that we work with suppliers like Quickstep to build onshore skill sets and repair capability to achieve prompt turnaround times on component repairs and maintenance. Alliance looks forward to working with Quickstep to turn this MoU into tangible infrastructure."

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the industrial site will progressively increase its operations, directly employing approximately 700 workers by 2025.

IBC wins US\$3.1 million in new orders from major aerospace defence contractor

IBC Advanced Alloys, a leading beryllium and copper advanced alloys company, has announced that it has won a new purchase order for its beryllium-aluminium alloy products from a major aerospace defence contractor. The value of the new order is approximately US\$3.1 million (£2.4 million), which the company expects to fulfil in 2023. "We are very pleased to have received this new purchase order and our team is proud of the work that we are doing to support a variety of defence contractors," said Mark Smith, IBC's CEO and Chairman. "We look forward to continuing to grow the defence side of our business."

AJW Group and Azerbaijan Airlines strengthen partnership

AJW Group has signed multiple Power-by-the-Hour (PBH) support contracts with Azerbaijan Airlines. These contracts solidify the long-standing relationship between AJW Group and the flag carrier of Azerbaijan, as AJW Group will provide comprehensive support for Azerbaijan Airlines' fleet of A320ceo, A320neo and B767 aircraft. AJW's dynamic maintenance programme ensures optimal aircraft performance, leaner processes and reduces downtime by providing comprehensive support for all required component maintenance events under the agreement. By entrusting its fleet's maintenance to AJW Group, Azerbaijan Airlines can prioritise its core operations and enhance the passenger experience, while also benefiting from cost predictability, increased operational efficiency and minimised financial risks. Renowned for delivering high-quality maintenance support solutions tailored to the unique needs of each customer, the Group is well-equipped to provide the airline with exceptional PBH services. Leveraging its expertise in comprehensive supply chain solutions and backed by AJW's global inventory of Airbus and Boeing spares, as well as world-class MRO services from AJW Technique, in Montreal, AJW Group offers spare parts provisioning, logistics and technical support to Azerbaijan Airlines. In addition to these PBH contracts, last month the Group and Azerbaijan Airlines achieved a significant milestone in their partnership with the announcement that SkyLeather®, a revolutionary, eco-friendly, durable and lightweight 100% water-based material, will be installed on three of the airline's A319 and six of its A320 aircraft cabin interiors.

FL Technics to provide CAMO solutions for Bulgaria Air



FL Technics starts to provide CAMO solutions for Bulgaria Air's A220 fleet

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FL Technics, a global independent MRO solutions provider, and Bulgaria Air have started a new partnership. As the airline invests in new-generation aircraft, FL Technics will provide CAMO services to maintain the carrier's whole fleet, including the newly added Airbus A220. Aircraft stakeholders alike are focusing on sustainable and efficient business development involving modern technologies, next-generation aircraft and LEAN management of their projects. The success of the process lies in the tremendous effort to align capacity, capabilities and long-term planning. This is the reason both companies consider this partnership as an important milestone, setting the stage for future growth and progress towards more efficient and environmentally friendly operations.

Czech Airlines Technics signs long-term contract with Air Serbia



Czech Airlines Technics and Air Serbia have signed a new service contract

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Czech Airlines Technics (CSAT) has released that it has signed a long-term contract with Air Serbia, the national carrier of Serbia with its major operating hub at Belgrade's Nikola Tesla Airport. The companies have reaffirmed their commitment to a long-term partnership, as evidenced by the recently signed contract for the maintenance, repair and overhaul of wheels and brakes for Air Serbia's entire fleet, which includes A330, A320, A319, and ATR aircraft. This agreement ensures that the cooperation between the two airlines will persist into the future. "We are so excited to be a right hand in Air Serbia's growth strategy. We have been cooperating for many years so this is another huge milestone of our strong cooperation and common path. Our expertise and reliability perfectly match with Air Serbia's high requirements for component maintenance and therefore signing a contract was just a natural outcome," said Martin Mintěl, Head of Components & Spares Division at CSAT. Air Serbia currently has two Airbus A330s, three Airbus A320s, ten Airbus A319s and six ATR 72-600 aircraft. The service of wheels and brakes for the entire fleet will be provided by CSAT at Václav Havel Airport Prague.

FINANCIAL NEWS

Thales seeks to strengthen avionics portfolio with acquisition of Cobham Aerospace Communications



Thales has entered into negotiations to acquire Cobham Aerospace Communications © Shutterstock

Thales has entered into exclusive negotiations to acquire, for US\$ 1.1 billion, Cobham Aerospace Communications (AeroComms), a leading supplier of advanced, ultra-reliable innovative safety cockpit communication systems. With about 690 employees, of which about 190 are engineers, the company operates across a well-invested footprint in France, South Africa, U.S.A. /Canada and Denmark. It is expected to generate US\$200 million in revenue in 2023. With this acquisition, Thales aims to pursue its strategy to strengthen its avionics portfolio, adding global leading position in safety cockpit communications, complementing the company's strong avionics offering, incorporating recently developed cutting-edge products benefiting from solid positions with major OEMs and strong aftermarket/retrofit opportunities. AeroComms designs, produces and supports a rich portfolio of avionics solutions focused on cockpit communications. Its product range notably includes full L-Band Satcom systems (antennas and transceivers), complete digital audio and radio management solutions and passive antenna systems enabling connectivity, communications and navigation.

AeroComms is strongly positioned to benefit from the OEMs ramp up and wave of operating fleet retrofit opportunities. As part of its ongoing product development, AeroComms has recently developed game-changing products that will support future revenue growth: Aviator-S in Satcom and DRAIMS in digital Audio/Radio. The company benefits from a diversified revenue exposure with defence customers representing about 30% of FY23E revenue. By integrating AeroComms' unique leading safety cockpit communication systems portfolio, Thales will be ideally positioned to seize the opportunity of the shift towards connected cockpits. By the end of the decade, Thales will hence be able to fully address the permanent and secured connectivity needs of the aeronautical market. Employee representative bodies of both Thales and Cobham Aerospace Communications will be consulted as part of the project. The closing of the transaction is expected during the first half of 2024 upon customary merger control and regulatory approvals completions. (£1.00 = US\$1.29 at time of publication).

Marubeni Corporation acquires 50% equity stake in DASI

Marubeni Corporation – one of the world's largest trading and investment conglomerates – has acquired a 50% equity stake in DASI, LLC – a global leader in commercial aviation inventory solutions. The acquisition, which was recently completed for an undisclosed amount, will allow Marubeni to significantly expand opportunities and accelerate growth in the aviation parts inventory space, ultimately strengthening both companies' value proposition and offering a more robust level of customer service. Founded in 1993, DASI, LLC is a leading provider of end-to-end surplus inventory solutions for airlines, maintenance and repair organisations, with a global team dedicated to sourcing, acquiring and selling spare parts worldwide. With a focus on quality, sustainability and cost-efficiency, DASI has established itself as a trusted partner for customers focused on optimising their inventory management practices and as an enabler for OEMs and distributors to efficiently access the broader spot market via DASI's global platform. The acquisition will empower DASI to expedite the development of its online marketplace, increase the availability of factory new spares and advance its expansion in the surplus inventory space. The strategic partnership will also provide DASI with access to a wider range of customers and suppliers, as well as open new avenues for cross-selling and collaboration. "We are excited to welcome DASI to the Marubeni family," said Toru Okazaki, Executive Officer of Marubeni and Chief Operating Officer of Marubeni's Aerospace and Ship Division. "This acquisition is in line with our strategy of expanding our capabilities in the aviation aftermarket space and will enable us to better serve our customers by providing them with a one-stop-shop for all their inventory needs." The acquisition comes as Fortress Investment Group, a leading global investment firm, successfully exits its investment in DASI after six years. During this time, DASI has tripled in size, cementing itself as a leading industry player.



External view of DASI

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Azul to launch Senior Secured Notes Offering due 2028

Azul has made an announcement regarding the launch of a private offering of Senior Secured First Out Notes due 2028 (Notes) through its subsidiary, Azul Secured Finance LLP, a Delaware limited liability partnership. This offering is a crucial component of the company's comprehensive and permanent restructuring plan, aimed at optimising its capital structure and enhancing liquidity. The Notes will be guaranteed by Azul and its subsidiaries, namely Azul Linhas Aéreas Brasileiras S.A., IntelAzul S.A., ATS Viagens e Turismo Ltda., Azul IP Cayman Holdco Ltd., and Azul IP Cayman Ltd. These Notes will be secured on a "first out" basis by a shared collateral package that will also secure certain other debts and obligations. The collateral package will include specific receivables generated by TudoAzul (Azul's loyalty programme) and Azul Viagens (Azul's travel package business), as well as select brands, domain names, and other intellectual property associated with the Azul airline business (excluding Azul Cargo), TudoAzul, and Azul Viagens. An intercreditor agreement will determine the payment priority concerning the Notes, as well as other debts and obligations. The terms of the offering are subject to market and other conditions, and there is no guarantee that the Notes offering, and sale will be completed. The net proceeds from the offering will be utilised by the company to repay existing debts and obligations, and for general corporate purposes. Azul is committed to keeping investors and the general market informed about the progress of this offering.

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IAI signs deal to acquire India's HELA Systems

Israel Aerospace Industries (IAI) has signed a deal to acquire HELA Systems Private Limited, an 'Indian subsidiary' of ELTA Systems. IAI's investment in Aerospace Services India is a strong demonstration of IAI's support for the Indian government's Atmanirbhar Bharat (Make in India) vision. The current deal also shows IAI's commitment to its strong partnership with India's DRDO in developing and supporting advanced systems for India's Armed Forces. HELA will provide full maintenance, repair and overhaul product support for ELTA Systems, as well as testing and technical services including annual maintenance contracts and supply of spares to Indian defence customers. The company has a large facility in Hyderabad's fast-growing industrial belt. HELA's management and technical team comprise radio frequency and microwave specialists, familiar with cutting-

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Pratt & Whitney awarded contract for F135 engine core upgrade

Pratt & Whitney has been awarded a US\$66 million definitized contract modification for continued F135 engine core upgrade preliminary design efforts, resulting in a total of US\$180 million secured by the Connecticut congressional delegation for this engine modernisation effort. The funding will further support design engineering, programme management support, technology maturation, risk reduction, long lead material and hardware purchase, and weapons system integration. "We're extremely grateful for the ceaseless support we receive from the entire Connecticut delegation," said Jen Latka, Pratt & Whitney's Vice President for the F135 programme. "We'll use this funding to make quick progress on our engine core upgrade's preliminary design efforts, and that will keep us on track to deliver this important capability starting in 2028." In March 2023, the U.S. Air Force, U.S. Marine Corps, and U.S. Navy chose to upgrade the F135 versus replace it with an entirely new engine. The decision was announced as part of President Biden's 2024 budget proposal. "A modernised F-35 needs a modernised engine to support it. The additional US\$66 million for the F135 engine core upgrade we've secured will help us maintain a skilled work force in Connecticut and around the country to deliver this much-needed capability," said Rep. Rosa DeLauro, ranking member of the House Appropriations Committee. "Upgrading the F135 is the right decision to support our national defence priorities and defence industrial base, and I'll continue to ensure this programme gets the support and funding it needs." The F135 ECU is the fastest, most cost-effective, and lowest-risk path to Block 4 capability for all global F-35 operators. It is optimised for all three F-35 variants and will yield US\$40 billion in lifecycle cost savings by avoiding disruptive and costly air vehicle changes and leveraging the current global sustainment infrastructure. (£1.00 = US\$1.29 at time of publication).



Pratt & Whitney has been awarded a US\$66 million contract for F135 engine core upgrade work © P&W

GA-ATS to upgrade two Do228 aircraft from Finnish Border Guard



Do228 of the Finnish Border Guard

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General Atomics AeroTec Systems (GA-ATS) has won a tender from the Finnish Border Guard (FBG) to upgrade the navigation and communications systems of the Do228 fleet. The German manufacturer of the Do228 will carry out the modernisation work at Oberpfaffenhofen, Germany in the coming months and will also perform extensive planned maintenance work. To enable the special mission aircraft to meet the modern challenges that border and

maritime surveillance face on a daily basis, the Finnish Border Guard wants to improve efficiency and reliability of its Do228 fleet. The two Do228 will be upgraded with a new navigation system AHRS (Attitude Heading Reference System), which is reliable and capable in the far north regions. A modern, cost-effective new communication system SATCOM will also be installed. During the same period that the modernisation is being carried out, the Finnish Border Guard's Do228 fleet is also undergoing comprehensive planned maintenance work at the General Atomics AeroTec Systems site in Oberpfaffenhofen. The manufacturer of the Do228 will perform periodic maintenance on the aircraft, including the implementation of service bulletins and other upgrades designed to improve dispatch reliability and further minimize maintenance efforts. The modern one-stop-shop concept of GA-ATS allows the maintenance work to be carried out simultaneously with the upgrade and modernisation work. This means that there will be only one downtime and the Do228s can be back in service in Finland within a few months. The Do228 of the newest NATO member state were delivered in 1995 and have been upgraded throughout the years with modern equipment. Currently the aircraft are equipped with thermal cameras, day cameras, UV/IR scanners, weather radars, maritime surveillance radars, SLAR side-angle radars and Automatic Identification Systems (AIS).

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edge technologies and working on futuristic military applications. In addition, they are well-versed with the relevant industry standards to serve India's armed services as well as India's other defence organisations. Boaz Levy, IAI's President and CEO: "IAI conducts a wide range of collaborative activities and acquisitions throughout the world as part of the company's strategy. IAI supplies advanced and operationally proven systems for marine, land, air, and space use, and works closely with India's Armed Forces to develop and produce advanced technologies. For the past 30 years, IAI has built close partnerships in India developing and providing Indian customers with a variety of strategic platforms, including air and missile defence systems, unmanned aerial systems, satellites, radars, and training platforms. "IAI's state-of-the-art systems and technologies have been in operational use in India's three military arms and with other government agencies. ELTA Systems is one of Israel's leading defence electronics companies with wide-ranging expertise in Intelligence, Electronic Warfare, Surveillance and Target Acquisition.

Rheinmetall to build new German factory for manufacture of F-35A Lightning II fuselage sections

Düsseldorf, Germany-based Rheinmetall has announced it is to build new factory premises specifically for the manufacturing of fuselage parts for the F-35A Lightning II multirole combat aircraft. Working closely with American partners Northrop Grumman and Lockheed Martin, the creation of a 60,000-square-metre ultra-modern factory unit will provide a massive boost to German-American



Rheinmetall plans to build a new factory for the production of F-35A Lightning II fuselage sections
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defence technology cooperation. Located at Weeze in the Kleve district of the German state of North Rhine-Westphalia (NRW), the purpose-built premises will produce at least 400 F-35A fuselage sections for the air forces of Germany and other friendly nations. The premises are expected to become fully operational by 2025 and it is anticipated that over 400 highly skilled men and women will crew the ultramodern assembly line.



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SITA will support one of the biggest growth markets globally, providing technology to 43 of India's biggest airports © SITA

SITA, the technology provider for the travel and transport industry, has secured a landmark deal with **Airports Authority of India** (AAI) to support one of the biggest growth markets globally, providing technology to 43 of India's biggest airports. India's civil will be a major growth engine to make India a US\$ 5 trillion (£4 trillion) economy by 2024. The deal will see improvements to over 2,700 passenger touchpoints, paving the way for the adoption of new-age solutions to meet the modern passenger's expectations. Initially deployed across 43 airports in India, the technologies are scalable to an additional 40 airports over the next seven years. Over 500 million passengers are expected to be processed during this period. The rollout of new cloud technology will enable Indian airports to shift to common-use passenger experiences where multiple airlines can leverage the same infrastructure, such as check-in counters, self-service kiosks, and boarding gates. The adoption of cloud solutions also brings new agility and flexibility to scale airport operations efficiently as passenger numbers grow. The cloud-first approach enforces better security and offers airlines a platform to host new progressive technologies and move away from native applications. Centralized cloud hosting of

all servers means reduced on-premises infrastructure costs and results in centralised control, enabling proactive monitoring and control of services. The solutions will give passengers more control over their journey, offering a low-touch, efficient check-in, bag drop, and collection process through assisted and self-service mechanisms. The Indian airports will benefit from a reduced infrastructure footprint and increased operational efficiency. Under the agreement, SITA will deploy its state-of-the-art solutions, including SITA Flex, CUPPS, SITA CUSS, and SITA Bag Manager. These IATA-certified platforms offer airlines and ground handlers the benefits of common-use technologies, enabling scalable operations to meet their specific requirements. The Baggage Reconciliation System ensures a high level of baggage accountability, minimising losses and security concerns, which is critical to industry recovery amidst a spiralling baggage mishandling rate. This project represents a significant shift towards adopting cutting-edge technological platforms, enhancing operational efficiencies, and paving the way for the future adoption of biometric passenger processing. Additionally, real-time dashboard-based information will be made available to governing agencies, promoting transparency and informed decision-making. Airport Authority of India officers at the airports and headquarters now have access to online real-time dashboards, replacing the monthly service availability reports. The solution ensures they are better informed and know the availability of systems across all airports at every point in time, optimizing efficiency and promoting smooth operations. The project commenced in May 2022 and involved a comprehensive revamp of existing services without disrupting ongoing operations.

The **BAA Training** facility in Barcelona has expanded its fleet of flight simulation training devices with the addition of a new Boeing 737 MAX flight training device (FTD Level 2), bringing the total number of simulators to five. This device has recently received full authorisation and is now operational at Southern Europe's premier simulator training centre. Distinguished as one of the few Level 2-certified devices in Europe, the new Boeing 737 MAX FTD offers a higher level of fidelity and functionality compared to lower-level devices. Its cockpit, visual system and software closely replicate those of a full-flight simulator (FFS), ensuring a training environment that perfectly mirrors real flight conditions. BAA Training Spain now possesses two Level 2 FTDs including the A320 FTD Level 2. These Level 2 FTDs strike a harmonious balance between fidelity and cost-effectiveness, making them invaluable tools for pilot training that faithfully simulate real-world flight operations. They boast lower operational costs due to reduced energy consumption and maintenance requirements compared to FFSs, thereby ensuring cost-effectiveness for airlines. Pilots can now practice a wide range of scenarios, including normal, abnormal and emergency procedures in any weather conditions, with the same level of fidelity as an FFS. Moreover, the new device will be utilised to complete up to 20% of type rating training, as well as MCC and other ATOP training. In addition to its centre in Spain, BAA Training has training facilities in Lithuania, France and Vietnam.



The second B737 MAX simulator is ready for training at

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INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Two years ago, **Swiss-AS** initiated its AMOSeTL project, and the first line of code was written in November 2021. The company has released that it has now reached a major milestone with the release of AMOSeTL in AMOS version 23.6 ready for productive use. Swiss-AS has also shared that **SunExpress**, one of its highly valued funding customers, is scheduled to go live with AMOSeTL in October 2023, marking the first productive implementation of this innovative solution. AMOSeTL represents the culmination of extensive research, development and dedication to delivering a mature and functionally advanced product. The strong traction and interest Swiss-AS has received from within the aviation industry confirm that it is on the right track. The company is confident that this first implementation will showcase the full potential of AMOSeTL and further solidify its reputation as an industry-leading solution. SunExpress will complete the final phase of the "Paperless Aircraft Maintenance Operations Project" with the use of AMOSeTL, as it will ultimately replace the paper-based Technical Log System. SunExpress is the first airline to implement paperless aircraft maintenance in Türkiye and is among one of the few airlines worldwide. SunExpress is constantly improving its processes for greater efficiency and sustainability. One of the key selling points of AMOSeTL lies in its unique integration capabilities. Unlike other solutions, AMOSeTL eliminates the complexities and costs associated with configuring complex interfaces. Its streamlined approach offers a plug-and-play integration experience that is unparalleled in the industry. By leveraging AMOSeTL's pre-built integration capabilities, AMOS customers can enjoy a seamless and successful deployment, saving valuable time and resources.

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Up & Away Aviation, a supplier of aircraft cleaning and detailing services to commercial airline and private aviation clients, has announced it has secured new ownership with **Unifi Aviation** (Unifi). Unifi is the USA's largest ground aviation services company, part of the Argenbright Group. The deal was signed by Up & Away founder and CEO Stefan Murphy and Unifi



Up & Away Aviation has been acquired by the USA's largest ground aviation services company Unifi
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CEO Gautam Thakkar at the UK company's London Oxford Airport UK HQ. The agreement has been formalised as Up & Away prepares to open its 13th base at London's Gatwick Airport on August 1, having recently ramped up its personnel to 500-plus employees. Over 400 of them are dedicated to Up & Away Aviation Services' airline activity. Unifi, headquartered in Atlanta, GA is present at over 200+ US airports, offering a range of ground services from ticketing and ground handling to cabin cleaning and cargo. Up & Away is an ideal fit for Unifi as it looks to grow its UK business to more than £100 million in the region over the next three years. While the Up & Away brand will remain, Stefan Murphy will become Unifi's Managing Director in the UK. Ernie Patterson, the chairman of International Business for Argenbright Group, will provide additional oversight of Unifi's UK aviation business, working with Up & Away's team to broaden operations into more airports, including London Heathrow. Up & Away provides various aviation services, including cabin cleaning, de-icing, executive jet detailing, technical cleaning, and other adjacent aviation services. The business has grown exponentially under the leadership of Stefan Murphy. The business, originally focused on executive jet clientele, expanded into working with prolific airline customers in 2019 when a leading airline CEO (and business jet owner) asked the company to pitch for its airline cleaning business. Up & Away has not looked back. Today, its operations span 13 UK airports, including London Stansted, Manchester, Birmingham, Newcastle, Bristol and Belfast International, plus UK business aviation airports London Biggin Hill, Farnborough, London Oxford, where it supports a variety of business jets.

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Regional Express Group (Rex) has taken a significant step towards becoming the next aerial operator of the Australian Antarctic Program. Rex recently revealed that it has submitted a response to the Request for Information (RFI) issued by the **Australian Antarctic Division** (AAD). The AAD's ambitious program seeks to consolidate highly specialised aerial operations under a single operator's command. The program entails a remarkable expansion of capabilities, including a large intercontinental passenger jet, four intracontinental turbo-prop aircraft capable of operating on skis, four twin-engine helicopters suitable for both land and the Division's flagship, the RSV Nuyina, and a substantial enhancement of Un-crewed Aerial System (UAS) capabilities for operations during the Antarctic Austral Summer (October to March). Craig Martin, Rex's Antarctic Project Manager, emphasised the need for an operator with comprehensive aviation expertise across various platforms and a track record of operational excellence in special missions. He firmly believes that the Rex Group is the most suitable candidate due to its extensive experience operating a fleet of 150 aircraft across Australia, ranging from Boeing 737-800NG and Embraer E190 airliners to De Havilland Dash 8-400 turboprops, over 55 Saab 340 turboprops, a large fleet of Beechcraft King Air aircraft, and the recently introduced Pilatus PC24 jets. In addition to its aviation prowess, Rex has assembled an Antarctic Advisory Panel (AAP) comprising leading experts in the field. The AAP brings practical knowledge of actual aerial operations in the Antarctic, as well as expertise in adapting aerial platforms with skis for landing on unprepared terrain in the region. With guidance from the AAP, Rex aims to develop the optimal solution in preparation for the Request for Tender, which is expected in November.

In a recent ruling, the **Amsterdam Court of Appeal** overturned a previous decision and granted the Dutch government the power to significantly reduce the number of flight movements at Schiphol Airport to address noise disturbances in the surrounding area. The Dutch State will now be able to cut 40,000 flights per year, bringing the total annual number of flights to 460,000. The ruling allows the government to proceed with its plans for the 2023-2024 travel season, with an additional 20,000 flights set to be reduced the following year. Airport authorities and passenger airlines had raised concerns about the lack of notice and the absence of an opportunity to propose their own solutions. The Appeals Court acknowledged the government's failure to address noise limit violations that had

American Airlines (American), in partnership with the **Port Authority of New York and New Jersey** and **Unibail-Rodamco-Westfield** (URW) Airports, has announced a US\$125 million commercial redevelopment programme for Terminal 8 at **John F. Kennedy International Airport** (JFK). The project will feature a new Great Hall and is expected to bring more than 60 new shopping and restaurant offerings to the terminal. With an emphasis on locally owned and diverse businesses that will create economic opportunities for the community, the new programme will showcase New York's world-renowned culinary scene and establish a unique sense of place for travellers. "We look forward to working with our project partners, the Port Authority and the local community to deliver a transformative dining and shopping experience that represents the dynamic New York region," said American's Vice President of Airport Affairs and Facilities Amanda Zhang. "We're committed to ensuring a world-class experience at Terminal 8 and this commercial redevelopment will further elevate the travel journey for our customers and our oneworld® partners." Following the recent completion of a US\$400 million expansion of Terminal 8, the commercial redevelopment will further enhance the customer experience at the terminal with a complete redesign and expansion of the concessions program, including dining, retail, duty-free shopping, performance space and new digitally enabled experiences for American's customers. Terminal 8 has also become a world-renowned gateway for American's oneworld partners. Within the past year, British Airways, Iberia and Japan Airlines relocated operations and Qantas returned service to Terminal 8. (£1.00 = US\$1.31 at time of publication).



Rendering of updated Terminal 8 at John F. Kennedy International Airport (JFK)
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WorldACD's data shows that global tonnages and rates further decline
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Global air cargo tonnages and rates continued their long-term decline in the first full week of July, with the pace of the fall in chargeable weight picking up again after briefly slowing in June. Figures for week 27 (3 to 9 July) show a -4% decrease in tonnages compared with the previous week, and average worldwide air cargo prices also fell slightly (-1%), week on week (WoW),

based on the more than 400,000 weekly transactions covered by **WorldACD's** data. Comparing weeks 26 and 27 with the preceding two weeks (2Wo2W), overall tonnages decreased by -6% versus their combined total in weeks 24 and 25, with capacity and average worldwide rates both down by -1%. At a regional level, strong drops in tonnages were recorded (2Wo2W), most notably with double-digit declines ex-Middle East & South Asia (-17%) and ex-Africa (-11%). On a region-to-region level significant declines were recorded ex-North America to Europe (-15%), between Europe and Middle East & South Asia (westbound -15%, eastbound -13%), Asia Pacific to Middle East & South Asia (-14%), and between Africa and Europe (southbound -12%, northbound -7%). Other notable 2Wo2W changes included a drop ex-North America to Central & South America (-8%) and ex-Asia Pacific to North America (-6%), while the highest increase was observed on intra-Asia Pacific flows (+4%). On the pricing side, average rates show a small decrease on a regional level for most lanes, on a 2Wo2W basis, with two notable exceptions: on flows ex-North America to Asia Pacific (-5%) and between Europe and Asia Pacific (westbound -3%, eastbound -2%). Lanes with slight increases include Central & South America to Europe (+2%), and Africa to North America (+1%) and Europe (+1%).

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been ongoing for eight years since 2015. The court emphasized that the airlines cannot maintain the “illegal situation” that the State tolerated without any changes. A lower court ruling in April stated that the government’s two proposals did not comply with national and European laws. The first proposal aimed to enforce noise limit violations more strictly based on runway usage, while the second involved a one-year experiment with different noise reduction rules and combinations. “The proposed measures will partially determine the number of permitted air transport movements to and from Schiphol. A statutory maximum only applies to night flights,” summarized the Court, reflecting the government’s position. The lower court believed that the Dutch State should have followed a “balanced approach” procedure based on the European Noise Ordinance to assess the operational impact. However, the Appeals Court clarified that the balanced approach only applies to more permanent measures. Since the government’s proposals are considered “temporary and short-term experiments in preparation for potential future adjustments to the applicable noise regulations,” the Appeals Court concluded that the European rule does not apply. The coalition agreement forming Prime Minister Mark Rutte’s third and fourth Cabinets emphasized the importance of reducing nuisances and improving the quality of life around the airport, particularly concerning noise pollution and air quality. The agreement aimed to strike a better balance between the interests of Schiphol Airport, stakeholders including airlines, and the local residents. Consequently, the maximum number of flight movements was set below 500,000, ultimately settling on 460,000. The Dutch State holds a 70% ownership stake in the Royal Schiphol Group and 9.3% in the Air France - KLM Group, which includes major airlines operating at Schiphol such as KLM and Transavia. Schiphol Airport has already announced plans to eliminate all overnight flights by the end of 2025 and will explore the possibility of achieving this by the end of 2024. This decision will prohibit commercial passenger and cargo flights from departing between midnight and 6 a.m., as well as non-emergency landings between midnight and 5 a.m. This measure alone will result in the elimination of approximately 10,000 flights annually. Transavia, which maximises aircraft utilisation, and EasyJet, the third-largest airline at Schiphol following a similar model, may be most affected by this ruling. Additionally, discontinuing most private passenger flights could eliminate around 17,000 more flights at Schiphol, with exceptions expected for police helicopters, medical team helicopters, and the Coast Guard.



Thomas Chandler

• BOC Aviation has released that **Thomas (Tom) Chandler** has been appointed Chief Operating Officer (COO). In his new role, he will oversee Technical, Procurement, IT, Legal and Transaction Management and Compliance and Insurance Departments. Chandler was formerly BOC Aviation’s Deputy Chief Operating Officer, based in Singapore. He has held this position since January this year, having joined from TUI Group, where he was Managing Director, Fleet and Asset Management. Chandler replaces **David Walton**, who retired on June 30, after nine years with the company.



Federica Berra

• Air bp has announced the appointment of **Federica (Fede) Berra** as Senior Vice President effective immediately. Berra will succeed **Martin Thomsen** who has successfully steered the business since 2020 through very challenging market conditions. Berra joined bp in June 2020 as Senior Vice President integrated gas and power in the gas and low carbon energy business. Prior to coming to work for bp, she was with ExxonMobil where she held a wide range of leadership roles in Europe and North America in gas and power marketing. Berra has a passion for diversity and inclusion and advocates for the adoption of positive inclusive behaviours and psychological safety. In her career she has led diverse, international teams and is known for her values-based leadership.



Paul Murphy

• TrueNoord, the regional aircraft lessor with Offices in Dublin, London, Amsterdam and Singapore, has announced that **Paul Murphy** is to take over as the company’s Chief Financial Officer (CFO). Prior to joining TrueNoord, Murphy operated as Head of Finance of Goshawk Aviation prior to its sale to SMBC Aviation Capital in December 2022. As part of the management team at Goshawk, he overhauled the

Finance and Managed Asset functions to support the growth of the business. Before joining Goshawk Aviation, Murphy held senior finance positions at ORIX Aviation, to begin with working as Vice President - Finance, before being promoted to the role of Director, Group Accounting & Treasury. Murphy made it clear that the reputation of TrueNoord’s robust and talented team along with their positive investor relations was what attracted him to the position. “Notwithstanding some macro headwinds, TrueNoord is exceptionally well placed to support the post-pandemic recovery of the regional aviation sector. Their balanced growth strategy is underpinned by a team of highly experienced sector specialists as well as supportive shareholders.” Murphy added that: “I’m pleased to join TrueNoord at this key stage of the organisation’s evolution and look forward to seeking new and innovative ways to help scale up its platform and grow the business.”

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A319-100	BBAM	CFM56-5B5/P	2119	2004	Now	Sale / Lease	Steve Zissis	info@bbam.com	+1 787 665 7039
A320-200	ALTAVAIR	V2527-A5	6093	2014	May 2024	Lease	Clive Bowen	clive.bowen@altavair.com	+44 7899 892493
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A320-233ceo	FPG Amentum	V2527E-A5	4457	2010	Now	Sale / Lease	Lei Ma	ma.lei@fpg-amentum.aero	+852 9199 1875
A330-200	Doric	Trent 772B-60	1310	2012	Q2/2024	Sale / Lease	Maurick Groeneveld	maurick.groeneveld@doric.com	+49 69 247559-931
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B737-800 SSF	GA Telesis		29884	2002	Now	Sale / Lease		aircraft@gatelesis.com	
B737-900	BBAM	CFM56-7B26/3	34953	2007	Now	Sale / Lease	Steve Zissis	info@bbam.com	+1 787 665 7039
B777-300ER	BBAM	GE90-115BL	38986	2011	Nov 2023	Sale / Lease	Steve Zissis	info@bbam.com	+1 787 665 7039

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SAAB 2000	Jetstream Aviation Capital	AE2100A	031	1996	Now	Sale / Lease	Donald Kamenz	dkamenz@jetstreamavcap.com	+1 (305) 447-1920 x 115
SAAB 340B CRG	Jetstream Aviation Capital	CT7-9B	224	1990	Now	Lease	Bill Jones	bjones@jetstreamavcap.com	+1 (305) 447-1920 x 102
SAAB 340B Plus	Jetstream Aviation Capital	CT7-9B	450	1998	Now	Lease	Bill Jones	bjones@jetstreamavcap.com	+1 (305) 447-1920 x 102

Commercial Engines

CF34 Engines	Sale / Lease	Company	Contact	Email	Phone
CF34-8E5	Now - Lease	Lufthansa Technik AERO Alzey	Kai Ebach	k.ebach@lhaero.com	+49-6731-497-368
CF34-10E5	Now - Lease				
CF34-8C5	Now - Lease				
(2) CF34-3A	Now - Sale	GNS	Shlomi Levi	l.shlomi@g-n-solutions.com	+972-52 850 8511
(2) CF34-10E5	Now - Sale / Lease	DASI	Joe Hutchings	joe.hutchings@dasi.com	+1 954-478-7195
(3) CF34-10E6	Now - Lease	Willis Lease	Jennifer Merriam	leasing@willislease.com	+1 (561) 349-8950
(1) CF34-10E7	Now - Lease				
(1) CF34-8C5A1	Now - Sale/Lease/Exch.	Magellan Aviation Group	Bradley Hogan	bradley.hogan@magellangroup.net	+1 980.256.7120



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CFM Engines	Sale / Lease	Company	Contact	Email	Phone
(1) CFM56-5B3/3	Now - Lease	FTAI Aviation LLC	Mark Napoles	mnapoles@ftaiaviation.com	+1 786-785-0777
(1) CFM56-5B4/P	Now - Lease				
(1) CFM56-5B3/P	Now - Lease				
(1) CFM56-5B1/P	Now - Lease				
(1) CFM56-7B26	Now - Lease				
(2) CFM56-5C4/P	Now - Lease	Willis Lease	Jennifer Merriam	leasing@willislease.com	+1 (561) 349-8950
(2) CFM56-5C4	Now - Lease				
(1) CFM56-7B27/3	Now - Lease				
(1) CFM56-5B4/P	Now - Sale/Lease/Exch.	AeroDirect	Sean Miller	SMiller@aerodirect.com	+1.404.229.3723
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(2) CFM56-5B5/P	Now - Sale / Lease	BBAM	Steve Zissis	info@bbam.com	+1 787 665 7040
(1) CFM56-5B4/P	Now - Sale / Lease				
(2) CFM56-5B6	Now - Sale / Lease				
(1) CFM56-5A3	Now - Sale	Royal Aero	Gary MacLeod	gary@royalaero.com	+44 (0)1357 521144
(1) CFM56-7B24/3	Now - Lease	Engine Lease Finance	Declan Madigan	declan.madigan@elfc.com	+353 61 291717
(1) CFM56-7B26/3	Now - Lease				
(1) CFM56-7B26	Now - Lease				
(1) CFM56-7B27/B	Now - Lease				
(2) CFM56-5B3/3	Now - Lease				
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(2) CFM56-5B4/3	Now - Sale / Lease	GA Telesis		engines@gatelesis.com	
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PW150A	Now - Sale / Lease				
PW127M	Now - Lease				
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(1) Trent XWB-84	Now - Sale/Lease/Exch.				
(1) Trent 556-61	Now - Sale/Lease/Exch.				
(1) Trent 772B-60	Now - Lease	Engine Lease Finance	Declan Madigan	declan.madigan@elfc.com	+353 61 291717
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(1) V2527-A5	Q3/2022 - Sale/Lease/Exch.	Rolls-Royce & Partners Finance	RRPF Marketing	RRPFMarketing@rolls-royce.com	+44 7528975877
(1) V2533-A5	Now - Sale/Lease/Exch.				
(1) V2527-A5	Now - Sale/Lease/Exch.	AeroDirect	Sean Miller	SMiller@aerodirect.com	+1.404.229.3723
(2) V2533-A5	Now - Lease	Willis Lease	Jennifer Merriam	leasing@willislease.com	+1 (561) 349-8950
(1) V2527-A5	Now - Lease				
(1) V2533-A5	Now - Lease	FTAI Aviation LLC	Mark Napoles	mnapoles@ftaiaaviation.com	+1 786-785-0777
(1) V2527-A5	Now - Sale/Lease/Exch.	Magellan Aviation Group	Bradley Hogan	bradley.hogan@magellangroup.net	+1 980.256.7120
(1) V2533-A5	Now - Lease	Engine Lease Finance	Declan Madigan	declan.madigan@elfc.com	+353 61 291717
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(1) A321 Enhanced Landing Gear 2020 OH					
(1) GTCP36-150	Now - Sale	GNS	Shlomi Levi	l.shlomi@g-n-solutions.com	+972-52 850 8511
(2) A320 LG Shipsets, (1) A320 NLG, (1) A340 LG Shipset		GA Telesis		landinggearsales@gatelesis.com	
(1) 777-200 LG Shipset, (1) A330 LG Shipset, (2) 737 LG-Shipset					
GTCP131-9A (2), GTCP131-9B(2)	Now - Lease	REVIMA APU	Olivier Hy	olivier.hy@revima-apu.com	+33(0)235563515
GTCP331-200, GTCP331-250	Now - Lease				
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APS2300, APS3200(2), APS5000(2)	Now - Lease				
PW901A(4), PW901C(2)	Now - Sale / Lease				
TSCP700-4E	Now - Sale				
(1) GTCP331-500B	Now - Sale/Lease/Exch.	BBAM	Steve Zissis	info@bbam.com	+1 787 665 7039
(2) APS2300, (1) APS3200	Now - Sale / Lease	DASI	Chris Glascock	chris.glascock@dasi.com	+1 954-801-3592
(1) GTCP331-350		GA Telesis	Jay Meshay	apu@gatelesis.com	+1-954-849-3509
(2) APS3200B, (1) APS3200C, (1) GTCP331-500					
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