

## Boeing and AirBridgeCargo Airlines signs an agreement to 747 Freighters Landing Gear Program



**B**oeing and AirBridgeCargo Airlines, largest cargo carrier in Russia sign a deal to support the airline's 747 Freighters through the Boeing Landing Gear Overhaul and Exchange Program. AirBridgeCargo Airlines provides its clients with scheduled cargo services linking Asia, Europe and America via Russia. It is also the first cargo carrier in Russia to operate the Boeing 747-8 Freighter.

The cargo carrier will get fully overhauled and certified landing gear to support nine 747 Freighters through the Boeing Landing Gear Overhaul and Exchange Program, with a final commitment covering 18 additional 747s in the airline's fleet.

Boeing's Landing Gear Overhaul and Exchange Program provide an easy and cost-effective resolution for organizing landing gear overhauls. Through the program, landing gear that needs to be repaired or overhauled can be exchanged for another set of certified landing gear from a pool

that Boeing maintains, eliminating the need for customers to contract, schedule and manage the overhaul process.

"The Boeing Landing Gear Overhaul and Exchange Program is a comprehensive solution for our freighter fleet that will allow us to efficiently maintain our aircraft in the required technical condition and ensure we continue to deliver the highest level of service quality for our global customers," commented Sergey Lazarev, general director, AirBridgeCargo Airlines. "Our participation in this program is another result of the long-term partnership agreement signed by Boeing and Volga-Dnepr Group earlier this year."

"Boeing is proud to continue its long, successful partnership with Volga-Dnepr by providing a cost-effective and reliable alternative to purchasing new landing gear and performing equipment overhaul," said David Longridge, vice president, Sales and Marketing, Boeing Commercial Aviation Services. ■

## Qantas unveils new aircraft maintenance facility at Los Angeles International Airport

**Q**antas has unveiled its new engineering facility at Los Angeles International Airport, an investment of more than US\$30 million, largest commercial hangars in North America and the first specifically designed to accommodate the Airbus A380.

The 5.7 hectare site will be used to carry out maintenance checks on Qantas' A380 and Boeing 747 aircraft during ground time in Los Angeles. It will also have capacity to support Qantas' new B787-9 Dreamliner when it enters service in late 2017.

The facility has the capacity for four aircraft to be worked on at the same time. Its higher capacity is expected to cut the time it takes to carry out maintenance tasks by about 20 per cent. Its size means Qantas will also have the potential to bid for work on other carriers' aircraft. ■

## Lufthansa signs a maintenance contract with Joramco

**J**oramco and Lufthansa signed a contract to provide two of the carrier's A340's with base maintenance services at the MRO's facility in Amman, Jordan. It includes C check as well as cabin modifications. The maintenance activities are scheduled to begin during January and to continue through February 2017.

Located at a free zone area in Queen Alia International Airport in Amman-Jordan, with 5 hangars that can accommodate up to 10 aircraft; Joramco is certified by a number of international & local regulatory authorities to include the Jordan's Civil Aviation Regulatory Commission, U.S. Federal Aviation Administration, and the European Aviation Safety Agency.

"We are delighted that Lufthansa has selected Joramco to perform heavy checks for two A340 of their fleet, and we look forward to provide the carrier with continued long-term value solutions and superior maintenance services," commented Mr. Osama Fattaleh, CEO of Joramco. ■

## Xiamen Airlines opts for AFI KLM E&M GENx engines support



**A**ir France Industries KLM Engineering & Maintenance, a major multi-product MRO provider and Xiamen Airlines, first regional airline of the People's Republic of China officially declared support for the GENx-1B74/75 engines equipping the Chinese airline's fleet of Boeing 787-9s, which will eventually cover six aircrafts. Xiamen Airlines, which took delivery of its first 787-9 on 8 December 2016, is growing its bond with AFI KLM E&M who is already providing Component and Engines Support for the carrier's six 787-8s. The contract will cover shop visits and the

maintenance and spare engine access to assure the availability of Xiamen Airlines '787-9' fleet and the flawless continuity of its operations. The maintenance work will be carried out at AFI KLM E&M's worldwide-recognized GENx center of excellence in Amsterdam.

AFI KLM E&M and Xiamen Airlines have worked together for years on CFM56-7B and GENx Engine Support and 787-8 Component Support. During that time, the Chinese airlines has been able to rely on and appreciate the level of quality and responsiveness in implemented for the Genx power

plants equipping its fleet of 787-8s, Xiamen Airlines decided to expand the maintenance with AFI KLM E&M deal to the engines equipping its fleet of 787-9s.

Cai Chengbao, Xiamen Airlines Executive VP, commented, "the quality of the relationship that has grown up in recent years between our two Groups. Around the ideas of trust and partnership, AFI KLM E&M and Xiamen Airlines have forged solid ties, which are now being strengthened with the signing of the latest agreement."

Executive vice president of Air France KLM Engineering & Maintenance, Anne Brachet said, "we are proud to further extend the strong partnership our two groups already enjoy. Such a deal with a major 787 fleet operator proves once again AFI KLM E&M's unique expertise and competitiveness regarding new-generation aircraft maintenance."

Ton Dortmans, executive vice president of KLM E&M, added, "It is a real honour for us to once more win the trust of Xiamen Airlines for a substantial new contract. Again, AFI KLM E&M will strive to demonstrate the quality of its services, and to adjust its responses to meet the real needs of its client to the best of its ability." ■

## Safran join hands with Zodiac Aerospace in a \$10.6B takeover

Safran, an international high-technology group, and Zodiac Aerospace, global leader in Aerosafety, Aircraft systems, Seats and Cabins, said that they have entered into exclusive negotiations for purchase of Zodiac Aerospace by Safran through an agreed public offer of 29.47 per share and a subsequent merger on the basis of 0.485 Safran shares for one Zodiac Aerospace share. Earlier and based upon the merger, Safran would distribute a special dividend of 5.50 per share to its present shareholders. The merger is valued at 10 billion (\$10.6 billion).

The new entity would combine both Safran's and Zodiac Aerospace's potentials creating a global leader in aircraft equipment. Safran's capabilities in landing gear, wheels and brakes, nacelles, power systems, actuation and avionics, as well as Zodiac Aerospace's leading positions in seats, cabin interiors, power distribution, lighting, fuel, oxygen and fluid systems and safety equipment



help in allying the market leading positions, expertise, technologies and talents of both Safran and Zodiac Aerospace.

In electrical systems, Zodiac Aerospace's resources would strengthen Safran's portfolio of technologies and position the group preferably for future developments towards the "more electrical aircraft".

The combined group would have around 92,000 employees, 21.2 billion

in adjusted revenues and 2.7 billion in adjusted recurring operating income therefore might make it the third largest player worldwide in the aerospace industry. The combined group would become the second largest player worldwide in aircraft equipment with pro forma revenues in these businesses of 10 billion. It would be present in over 60 countries. ■



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## AAR signs extended PBH contract with Bluebird Cargo



**A**AR, a global aftermarket solutions company has signed a contract extension for Bluebird Cargo's fleet of five B737CL aircraft, which the aviation services company has been supporting since 2007.

"AAR's robust European logistics network and mainland distribution center in Brussels has ensured that we have been able to continually support Bluebird Cargo for over 10 years," said Nick Price, senior vice president – Operations,

Commercial Programmes, AAR. "Bluebird Cargo has tight schedules and specific deadline targets, and we are proud to say that AAR has exceeded those and helped Bluebird Cargo deliver the best possible customer service worldwide."

"AAR's successful renewal of Bluebird Cargo's B737CL agreement shows the effectiveness of our supply chain hub in Europe and why more and more EMEA airlines are choosing to partner with AAR for component support," said Deepak Sharma, president of International Supply Chain, AAR.

Bluebird Cargo, a cargo airline based in Reykjavík, Iceland, provides freight services via its extensive network and ACMI and Wet Lease services throughout Europe, Asia and North America. ■

## Farsound Aviation sustains its growth in the Middle East and Asia

**F**arsound Aviation, a provider of supply chain and logistics solutions for the aerospace industry globally, is experiencing a significant growth in demand, mainly in Asia and Middle East markets.

Farsound is consolidating its position as the supply chain provider of choice across an expanding variety of engine platforms, including the GE Aviation GE90 and GneX, Pratt & Whitney's V2500, the CFM 56, and XWB and Trent from Rolls-Royce.

Farsound recently created new

positions of Vice President, Business Development Asia, based in Japan, and also appointed a new Business Development Manager in China. Farsound constantly achieves 99.5% On-Time-Delivery with its supply solutions to a broad variety of global customers.

The company will be attending a number of key exhibitions and events this year in order to raise its profile, including MRO Middle East which is being held in Dubai on 8th and 9th February, MRO Asia-Pacific taking place in Singapore from 31st October to 2nd

November, and the Dubai Airshow which will run from the 12th to 16th November.

Lee Kelsey, Farsound Aviation's Sales Director, said, "This is an excellent time for Farsound Aviation – in the last year, we've seen a 25% increase in our turnover and are forecasting similar levels of growth in 2017 – we're particularly excited about the growth of our business globally. In addition to the success we're enjoying in the Middle East and Asia, we're also planning to expand further by recruiting a new team in the USA." ■

## SR Technics signs deal to help Edelweiss upgrade four aircraft

**S**R Technics has signed a deal with Edelweiss Air to upgrade the cabin experience on four of the carrier's A340-300s. The upgrading work will take place at MRO's Center of Excellence for Cabin Modifications in Zurich over the next two years.

The first of the four aircraft arrived at the SR Technics facilities in October 2016, and it took off to Cape Town after 37 days of renovation with better flight experience to passengers. The project included installation of new seats, galleys and also new / modified lavatories. A programmable LED mood light system was also

installed to enhance the cabin illumination. The renewed cabin incorporates three classes – economy max, business, and economy. Passengers can also gain benefit from the Panasonic eXtreme inflight entertainment system, which offers audio and video on demand as well as games and other entertainment.

"We are delighted to continue our journey with Edelweiss," said Michael Sattler, head of Aircraft Services. "The successful completion of the previous six A320 aircraft demonstrates our commitment to deliver on our promise. As a leading cabin modifications provider, we aim to

understand the specific needs of each customer, and we are fully committed to go the extra mile to meet these needs."

Lorenz Thöni, CTO at Edelweiss, said, "The first A340 modification was the biggest project that Edelweiss has carried out to date, and SR Technics has proved yet again that they are the right partner for this kind of project. The team has demonstrated great enthusiasm and flexibility while working against the clock to ensure that the job was completed on time. I would like to warmly thank the entire SR Technics team on behalf of the Edelweiss management." ■

## U.S. Air Force Awarded \$2.1B to Boeing for Third KC-46A Tanker Production Lot



**T**he U.S. Air Force spends \$2.1 billion on Boeing for 15 KC-46A tanker aircraft, spare engines and wing air refueling pod kits. It will be assembled at its Everett, Wash facility.

This is the third low-rate initial production lot for Boeing. The first two came in August 2016 which consisted of seven

and 12 planes as well as spare parts.

Boeing plans to build 179 of the 767-based refueling aircraft for the Air Force to replace its legacy tanker fleet. Tanker deliveries will begin later this year.

"This award is great news for the joint Boeing-Air Force team and reinforces

the need for this highly efficient and capable tanker aircraft," said Mike Gibbons, Boeing KC-46A tanker vice president and program manager. "Our Boeing industry team is hard at work building and testing KC-46 aircraft, and we look forward to first delivery."

"Placing an order for another 15 aircraft is another important milestone for the KC-46 program," said Col. John Newberry, Air Force KC-46 System program manager. "I know the warfighter is excited about bringing this next generation capability into the inventory."

Boeing received the first contract in 2011 to design and develop the Air Force's next-generation tanker aircraft. Boeing built four test aircraft – two configured as 767-2Cs and two as KC-46A tankers. Those test aircraft, along with the first production plane, have completed nearly 1,500 flight hours to date.

The KC-46A is a multirole tanker that can refuel all allied and coalition military aircraft compatible with international aerial refueling procedures and can carry passengers, cargo and patients. ■

## Lufthansa orders SelectCare services for Trent engines from Rolls-Royce



Rolls-Royce has won an order from Lufthansa, one of the largest aviation groups in the world, for SelectCare services covering Trent 500 engines on

its Airbus A340 aircraft operated by the airline.

SelectCare is a fixed price overhaul service deal that includes a group of

additional services allowing customers to benefit from Rolls-Royce's OEM insight and aftermarket potential, with cost certainty and fleet plan flexibility.

Jörg Hennemann, SVP Commercial Fleet Management, Lufthansa Group, commented, "We value the greater flexibility and improved economics that SelectCare offers with respect to the specific requirements for our Trent 500 powered fleet."

Dominic Horwood, Rolls-Royce, Director Customers and Services – Civil Aerospace, said, "We provide customers with a choice of competitive, capable and flexible services. This agreement, with such a significant customer, demonstrates we can combine both quality and value in Trent 500 services."

The engine services will be carried out at N3 Engine Overhaul Services, the joint venture between Lufthansa Technik AG and Rolls-Royce.

SelectCare has already been chosen by American Airlines and Icelandair for RB211 engines and Delta Air Lines for Trent 800s. ■



## FL Technics Indonesia welcomes first Boeing 737 NG at newly launched Base Maintenance services



**F**L Technics, a global provider of one-stop-shop aircraft maintenance, repair and overhaul services, has announced that its subsidiary – FL Technics Indonesia had launched Base Maintenance services in its facilities at Jakarta's Soekarno-Hatta International Airport. The first Boeing 737 has already reached the MRO center for a C-Check.

FL Technics Indonesia welcomed its first base maintenance customer – Batik Air, following the receipt of the Indonesian DGCA's base maintenance agreement earlier in January 2017. The Indonesian carrier's Boeing 737-800 will go through a complete set of C-Check works which are due to be completed by the starting of February. FL Technics Indonesia provides

routine maintenance, flight hours inspection, structure repairs, minor and major modifications, technical defect rectifications and other services with 35 base maintenance specialists. The company plans to expand its geographical coverage by adding BM approvals from Thai, Cambodian, Malay and Vietnamese aviation authorities in future.

"We are happy to welcome Batik Air as our first base maintenance customer," said Martynas Grigalavicius, CEO of FL Technics Indonesia. "With the help of FL Technics Training, we have developed a strong MRO team which will be providing European-level services in heart of Indonesia. As we receive new approvals and more airlines entrust their aircraft to us, we plan to increase the BM staff to up to 200 members, as well as expand our infrastructure to 15 000 m2. We will also keep further adapting best practices from our European facilities for the benefit of our Asian Pacific customers." ■

## MTU Maintenance sign exclusive V2500-A5 engine maintenance contract with BH Air



**M**TU Maintenance, one of the world's top providers of services for commercial aero engines, and their latest client BH Air have signed a maintenance contract for the airline's V2500-A5 engines. The agreement includes maintenance, repair and overhaul on-site services and spare leasing support for 6 V2500-A5 engines.

BH Air is part owned by Balkan Holidays Services and primarily serves the Bulgarian tourism market through holiday charters

from Denmark, Germany, Israel, Switzerland and the UK. The airline operates a fleet of 3 A320s powered by V2500-A5s.

MTU Maintenance supports all V2500 models and has completed over 4300 shop visits on this engine family since 1989. In fact, MTU Maintenance had over 290 repair and overhaul visits across the company in 2016 – more than ever before. Although the MRO specialist has over 80 V2500 customers globally, BH Air is its first exclusive V2500-A5 customer in Bulgaria.

## Vector Aerospace signs Rolls-Royce T56 support agreement with major European government

**V**ector Aerospace Corporation, a global independent provider of aviation maintenance, repair and overhaul services announced that it has signed a deal with a major European government for the overhaul of Rolls-Royce T56 turboprop engines. The agreement, which has a multi-year term, covers the overhaul of T56 engines, modules, components and accessories.

Simon Jones, vice president of Business Development at Vector Aerospace, said, "We are absolutely delighted to win this contract, and are looking forward to working closely with this customer over the coming years. This success once again highlights Vector Aerospace's position as an industry-leading Rolls-Royce Authorised Maintenance Centre for the T56 engine family, and further strengthens our global position within the market. Our comprehensive range of in-house repair schemes for high-cost engine components, combined with our competitive rates and turnaround times, ensures that we can deliver a product which meets our customers' budget expectations without sacrificing quality."

The Rolls-Royce T56/501-D engine is installed on a number of aircraft, including Lockheed Martin's C 130/L-100 Hercules transport family, P-3 Orion anti-submarine warfare platform, as well as Northrop Grumman's E-2 Hawkeye early warning aircraft. ■

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## Siemens and Strata to develop MENA's first 3D-printed aircraft interior parts for Etihad



**S**iemens AG, Strata Manufacturing PJSC and Etihad Airways joined hands to work together to develop the first 3D-printed parts for aircraft interiors in the Middle East and North Africa. The announcement of the partnership comes as Abu Dhabi prepares to host the Global Manufacturing and Industrialisation Summit from 27-30 March 2017. The platform will bring together key sectors, including aerospace and industrial equipment, and from the public sector and civil society to adapt global manufacturing to the needs of the world's future economy, citizens and environment. The Summit, co-hosted by UNIDO and the UAE Ministry of Economy, will bring together some of the biggest names in global manufacturing and policymaking, including Siemens and Etihad.

The aim behind this partnership among the three of the biggest global players in industrial equipment manufacturing and aviation is to modernize the aerospace industry, leveraging additive manufacturing, known as 3D printing, helping airlines to improve their designs, including making complex parts on demand and manufacturing discontinued parts.

A pilot project will develop 3D printing solutions for aircraft cabin interior products for Etihad, the UAE's national carrier. These will be the first

3D-printed aviation parts designed, manufactured and certified in the UAE, Middle East and the entire Asian world. Siemens will leverage its global expertise in digitalization and 3D printing to consult on the selection of materials, testing and the preparation of processes. The design team of Etihad Airways Engineering will work to certify the parts, and Strata will manufacture the parts in its factory.

Leveraging the success of the pilot project, Siemens and Strata expect to investigate the development of a strategic three-year joint roadmap for the further industrialization of additive manufacturing in the UAE, the wider Middle East and North Africa. The roadmap will include training and the development of UAE citizens with the required skills for further deployment of 3D printing technology.

"The biggest challenge for the use of flying 3D-printed parts in aviation is certification and we are ready to tackle it and make it a reality," said Jeff Wilkinson, Etihad Airways Engineering CEO. "Etihad Airways Engineering will be using its expertise and major design certification approval (Design Organization Approval – Part 21J) to design and certify the first 3D-printed part for aircraft cabin in the UAE. We will be partnering with the certification authority and with Strata to make certi-

fied 3D printing for aviation in the UAE a reality," he said.

"We see great opportunities for 3D printing as a disruptive force in manufacturing, and expect it to play a key role in a globally competitive, increasingly digitalized industrial landscape in the Middle East," said Assem Khalaili, executive vice president, Industry Customer Services, at Siemens Middle East. "This is highly relevant technology for the region's development of an increasingly digitalized and diversified economic landscape, across a wide range of sectors. We are proud to be working with Strata and Etihad to advance 3D printing and strengthen local manufacturing here in the region."

"Strata is proud to facilitate the application of 3D printing technology in the aerospace field in the UAE for our national carrier Etihad, through our partnership with Siemens. Our goal is to deploy this technology on practical applications that will allow development of local knowledge building in various aspects of this technology that will lead to future innovations that can benefit the broader aerospace industry. The partnership echoes one of the key objectives of GMIS which is to harness the potential of collaboration in solving global problems and making manufacturing accessible to everyone everywhere," said Al-Olama. where," said Al-Olama. ■



## Gama Aviation commences maintenance collaboration with China's CASL



**G**ama Aviation Hutchison to begin long-term business aviation maintenance collaboration with China Aircraft Services Limited, Hong Kong International Airport based maintenance provider.

The collaboration combines Gama Aviation's business jet maintenance expertise, knowhow and network with CASL's substantial infrastructure and established maintenance base at Hong Kong International Airport.

Under the collaboration agreement, Gama Aviation Hutchison as the General Sales Agent will work together with China Aircraft Services Limited to provide a complete range of business jet maintenance services which includes line, base maintenance and AOG support. These services will be gradually introduced during 2017 to support resident and transitory aircraft at the airport.

Marwan Khalek, group chief executive of Gama Aviation Plc said, "We are delighted to partner with CASL on this exciting opportunity. This collaboration delivers a strong and long-term maintenance proposition at this strategically important aviation hub. As with those made earlier in the month, this announcement is another tangible example of our ability to create sustainable platforms for organic growth worldwide." ■

## Rockwell Collins expands global aircraft observation weather program through agreement with LATAM Airlines



**R**ockwell Collins, pioneer in the growth and operation of modern aviation and high-integrity solutions for both commercial and government applications is increasing its operational aircraft weather observations programme to include weather data from LATAM Airlines' fleet of aircraft. The agreement is the latest as part of a Rockwell Collins/National Oceanic and

Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) programme to improve the precision of forecasts for the aviation industry and the general public.

This is the first time that weather data from Brazil, Central and South America will be included in the joint program.

"The LATAM aircraft provide a new and rich source of observational data from a region of the globe where we have

historically had a gap in coverage for weather observations at higher altitudes in the atmosphere," said Curtis Marshall, the program manager for the National Weather Service's Aircraft-Based Observations Program. "We anticipate that these new data will lead to a notable increase in the skill of our computer-based weather prediction systems and resulting forecasts and warnings that provide for public safety and enhance the nation's economy."

Since 1991, Rockwell Collins' ARINC Meteorological Data Collection and Reporting System have collected data such as wind speed, air temperature and turbulence from commercial aircraft for the National Weather Service and the Federal Aviation Administration. In 2007, ARINC MDCRS added the measurement of humidity via new water vapor sensors, with valuable insight into the prediction of flight-disrupting weather.

"The more data we can provide to accurately forecast and plan for challenging weather situations, the better we can help airlines around the world improve route planning to enhance safety and improve passenger comfort," said Yun Chong, vice president, Commercial Aviation Services for Rockwell Collins. ■

## Bombardier signs treaty with CityJet for conditional purchase agreement for up to 10 CRJ900 Aircraft



**B**ombardier Commercial Aircraft announced that CityJet has signed a conditional purchase deal for six CRJ900 aircraft additional four aircraft optionally. Upon delivery, the aircraft will operate wet lease services on behalf of Scandinavian Airlines. Based on the list price of the CRJ900 aircraft, the conditional order is valued at approximately US \$280 million and could increase to US \$467 million.

"CityJet has become one of our largest European CRJ900 aircraft advocates

in a short period of time and we are delighted that they continue to put their confidence in Bombardier and its products," said Ryan DeBrusk, vice president, Sales, Europe, Russia & Commonwealth of Independent States, Bombardier Commercial Aircraft. "The CRJ900 aircraft is ideally suited to growing markets across Europe and is creating excellent value for a wide variety of operators with its superior performance, economics and enhanced cabin amenities."

"The reputable, modern CRJ900

aircraft offers great passenger comfort while maintaining cost effectiveness and operational flexibility; both important factors in our business model," said Pat Byrne, executive chairman, CityJet. "We have been very satisfied with the performance of the CRJ900 regional jets which have proven themselves to be the ideal and most efficient aircraft for our contract flying with Scandinavian Airlines."

CityJet currently owns a fleet of eight CRJ900 aircraft which are on wet lease service with SAS. The airline will also take delivery of four new CRJ900 aircraft in early 2017 as per Bombardier's order announcement on April 25, 2016, bringing CityJet's owned fleet of CRJ900 aircraft to 12. As part of its purchase of Cimber A/S, a regional airline in Denmark and a former wholly owned subsidiary of SAS, CityJet will operate Cimber's fleet of 11 CRJ900 aircraft also on wet lease service with SAS. These aircraft will be replaced by up to 10 additional CRJ900 aircraft that were announced. ■

### AerFin Ltd acquires CFM56-7B Engine ESN 875310



**A**erFin Ltd (UK) has completed the purchase of CFM56-7B engine ESN 875310 from Aero Capital Solutions Inc, which was earlier in service with Brazilian operator GOL.

"The deal again highlights our focus and desire to provide cost effective solutions to these Boeing 737 New Generation operators. We are pleased with the wide-range of end of life support services that we can provide and this transaction is the start of what will be an exciting 2017 for acquisitions and growth" commented Bob James, CEO of AerFin.

The transaction additionally adds to AerFin's commitment of supporting this product line and strengthening existing MRO and operator relations.

"The deal again highlights our focus and desire to provide cost effective solutions to these Boeing 737 New Generation operators. We are pleased with the wide-range of end of life support services that we can provide and this transaction is the start of what will be an exciting 2017 for acquisitions and growth" said Bob James. ■

### FL Technics Indonesia signs MoU with GMF AeroAsia

**F**L Technics, a provider of aircraft maintenance, repair and overhaul services in the global market, has declared that its subsidiary, FL Technics Indonesia had signed a Memorandum of Understanding with GMF AeroAsia, one of Asia Pacific's largest MRO companies. The memorandum deals with aircraft maintenance spare parts supply and other areas.

Under the MoU, the companies will share best practices in MRO process management, customs clearance and new market development, and provide support with spare part supply, component repair, engineering and other services. In addition, FL Technics Indonesia and GMF AeroAsia will support each other during peak seasons in order to provide timely service of their customers. The new MoU comes after constant collaboration between the companies in parts supply and engine maintenance.

"This MoU is a sign of close cooperation between FL Technics Indonesia and GMF AeroAsia. By combining our efforts and resources, both our teams will be able to achieve even more ambitious goals. Moreover, our European experience and know-how together with GMF's competence in local markets will allow us to provide exceptional support to airlines in Indonesia and the rest of Asia Pacific," commented Martynas Grigalavicius, CEO of FL Technics Indonesia. ■



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<b>MRO Middle East</b>	8-9 Feb, 2017	Dubai World Trade Centre
<b>The 4th China Aviation New Technology Forum (CANTF) 2017</b>	12 -13 April, 2017	Shanghai, China
<b>Civil Avionics International Forum 2017</b>	18 -19 April, 2017	Pullman Shanghai South Hotel, China
<b>Rotorcraft Asia 2017</b>	18-20 April 2017	Changi Exhibition Centre, Singapore
<b>Unmanned Systems Asia</b>	18-20 April 2017	Changi Exhibition Centre, Singapore
<b>MRO Americas</b>	25-27 April, 2017	Orange county convention centre, Orlando, Florida
<b>Civil Aircraft Industry International Forum 2017</b>	10-11 May 2017	Shanghai, China
<b>The 7th Airport Construction Summit</b>	10-12 May 2017	Shanghai, China
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