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ATR's new pilot training center in Singapore achieves EASA certification

Tailor-made training begins with the Full Flight Simulator for pilots flying the ATR 600 series aircraft

ATR's newest flight training center in Singapore is now officially approved by the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) and is ready to start training courses shortly. The center will provide a high level of training programs from flight crew type rating through recurrent training to differences courses. Strategically located in the Seletar Aerospace Park, a major hub for the Singapore aerospace industry, the center will officially be inaugurated mid-December this year.

With this recently obtained EU-A0015 certification, the new training facility in Singapore has clearly lost no time in stepping into the same rank as the main Training Center in Toulouse, France, ensuring full compliance to the newly announced EASA rules. As a reminder, the freshly obtained FR.ATO.0001 certification made ATR's Training Center in Toulouse the first approved training organization in France under the new EASA regulation.

The EASA certification of the new ATR Training Center in Singapore gives way to a long term operational approval of the flight training equipment. It covers the Full Flight Simulator (FFS) for ATR -600 series, the maintenance/flight simulation training devices (MFSTD) and a brief/debrief station. This FFS is the second for ATR's -600 series program. The very first one is located at the main ATR Training Center in Toulouse, France, along with a Full Flight Trainer (FFT) for ATR -600s. All these FFS and FFT will enable training both for ATR 42-600s and ATR 72-600s variants.

ATR has more than 250 aircraft operating in Asia-Pacific, plus some other 80 aircraft in backlog for airlines operating in that region. The new Training Center in Singapore is thus becoming a significant step toward providing ATR operators a more comprehensive training and Customer Support experience in their region.

This new Training facility completes ATR's offer in Singapore. ATR has already a Customer Support Center and a warehouse based there for Asian operators.

"Increasing our customer support capabilities and services around the globe is a strategic priority for ATR. The certification of this new and unique training facility is an important step in growing our presence in Asia Pacific region," said Mr. Lilian Braylé, ATR's Senior Vice-President Product Support & Services. "Achieving EASA status for our Singapore training facility shows ATR's Clients that our processes meet the highest standard in each of our facilities around the world. As an aircraft manufacturer, we have a commitment to Quality and providing products and services that will successfully meet our customers' needs."

About ATR:

Founded in 1981, ATR has become the world leader on the market for regional aircraft with 90 seats or less. Since its creation, ATR has sold over 1,200 aircraft, and has today 186 operators based in 90 countries. ATR planes have totaled over 21 million flight hours. ATR is an equal partnership between two major European aeronautics players, Alenia Aermacchi (a Finmeccanica Group company) and EADS. Its head office is in Toulouse (France). ATR is ISO 14001-certified, the international reference standard in the field for environmental friendliness.

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