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ATR delivers its 200th ATR-600 to Air Algerie, Africa's largest operator

Airline's extra fleet capacity paves the way for further network development

The hand-over ceremony of the first new ATR 72-600 today to Air Algerie comes along with another important milestone for ATR celebrating its 200th ATR -600 aircraft delivery.

The delivery marks the start of a new exciting chapter for Air Algerie, as it upgrades its fleet and expands operations. The ATR 72-600, with its unique combination of flexibility on regional routes, safety and unbeatable fuel efficiency, will enable the airline to offer its passengers more destinations and at unique comfort standards.

The first of three ATR 72-600s ordered earlier this year will join an existing fleet of 12 ATR 72-500s currently operating at the airline. The deliveries will continue until June 2016.

"Air Algerie's fleet growth is consistent with the route expansion. It is part of the commitment to support the country's rapidly growing air transport whilst keeping in mind the development strategy of the airline," Mr Boultif, Chief Executive Officer of Air Algerie said. "The ATR 72-500 aircraft has proven to be extremely efficient in service with Air Algerie and is very much liked by our passengers. We look forward to developing our operations across the region, with the new generation ATR 72-600s".

"This first ATR 72-600 for Air Algerie is the 200th ATR-600 for ATR. This double milestone marks a strong momentum in our relationship with Air Algerie, one of the fast growing airlines in the region," said Patrick de Castelbajac, ATR Chief Executive Officer. "We are confident that the reliable and proven ATR 72-600 combining the lowest operating costs with the highest levels of passenger comfort, will play a major role in Air Algerie's growth."

Air Algerie first flew ATRs in 2003 and is today one of the long-term ATR customers in Africa and Middle East. Today, the carrier is the latest operator to join a group of airline in the region to put confidence in the new generation ATR-600 aircraft.

About the ATR 72-600:

Passenger capacity: 68 to 74 seats

Engines: Pratt & Whitney 127M

Maximum takeoff power: 2,750 horsepower per engine

Maximum takeoff weight: 23,000 kg

Maximum load: 7,500 kg

Maximum flight range when fully loaded: 900 nautical miles (1,665 km)

About Air Algerie:



Air Algerie is the Algerian national airline with 50 years of history. Air Algerie has fleet of 42 aircraft serving five continents, serving more than 40 international and 32 domestic destinations. With its long airline experience resolutely turned towards modernity, Air Algerie enjoys a strong competitive position in the market as a fruit of company's solid development strategy focused on the satisfaction of its customers. For more information, log on <http://www.airalgerie.dz>

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 1 300 aircraft. ATR planes are represented in the fleets of 180 operators 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 the Airbus Group. Its head office is in Toulouse. ATR is ISO 14001 certified.

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