

## PRESS RELEASE

## ATR 72-600 Flight Simulator in Paris Receives EASA Certification

**Toulouse, 5 December, 2017** – ATR, the world's leading turboprop manufacturer, has received certification from the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) for its new ATR 72-600 Full Flight Simulator (FFS) based at ATR's Paris Training Center. The brand new FFS was manufactured by TRU Simulation + Training and is conveniently located close to Charles de Gaulle airport, which provides connections to any worldwide destination. With ATR operators expected to need around 1,000 new pilots per year, the new simulator will increase ATR's capacity to offer its customers increased pilot training solutions for the market leading aircraft.

Commenting on the announcement, Tom Anderson, Senior Vice-President Programs and Customer Services of ATR, said: "This certification represents another step on our journey to constantly develop our offer to our operators. As ATR's worldwide fleet size continues to grow it is logical that there will be an increased demand for ATR pilots. The entry into service of a new ATR 72-600 Full Flight Simulator helps ensure that our customers will be able quickly benefit from training solutions that are easily accessible from their respective bases of operations, which has a genuinely positive impact on their business."

Today, ATR has five training centers based in Toulouse, Paris, Johannesburg, Singapore and Miami. The latter opened in February 2017 to respond to the increasing presence of ATRs in the Americas. ATR is delivering more than 100,000 training hours per year.

## About TRU Simulation + Training:

TRU Simulation + Training Inc., a Textron Inc. (NYSE: TXT) company, delivers innovative, total aviation training solutions to the commercial and military markets while providing superior technical support and customer service. Headquartered in Goose Creek, S.C., the company is known for its high-fidelity training devices, pilot and maintenance training, military mission training, and aviation training services and support. More information is available at www.TRUSimulation.com.

## About ATR

Founded in 1981, ATR is the world leader in the market for below-90-seat regional aircraft. Since its creation, ATR has sold over 1,500 aircraft. ATR aircraft equip the fleets of some 200 airlines in nearly 100 countries. ATR is an equal partnership between two major European aeronautics players, Airbus and Leonardo. Based in Toulouse, France, ATR is well established worldwide with a large customer support and sales network, including Customer Service Centers, training centers and warehouses. For more information, please visit <u>http://www.atr-aircraft.com</u>

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