

SKY express grows regional fleet with two additional ATR 72-600

- 1st aircraft delivered in December 2023
- 2nd aircraft expected before Q2, 2024

Toulouse, 11 January 2024 – Leading Greek airline SKY express took delivery of an ATR 72-600 in December 2023, as part of a firm order for two brand new aircraft from the IOGR group. This marks another important step in SKY express' development, as the airline is growing its regional fleet from six to eight ATR 72-600 and six ATR -500 for a total of 14 ATRs. The airline is planning further fleet modernisation in 2024.

Greek communities and tourists will both benefit from the reinforced connectivity across the region, as SKY express intends to offer additional flights each year, taking advantage from the aircraft family's versatility, short runway capabilities, low operating costs and reduced CO2 emissions.

Captain Konstantinos Iliakis, Chief Executive Officer at SKY express, said: "As we continue to grow our regional fleet, we are delighted to operate the youngest ATR fleet in the region and we have commitments for further fleet standardisation and improvement early in Q1 2024. We are offering our passengers comfort and reliability, whilst reducing CO2 emissions and supporting the Greek tourism and economy. An important example of the priority SKY express gives to the environment is our choice to connect the Greek islands and main Greek destinations in a modern and sustainable way with our fleet of ATR 72-600, emitting 45% less CO2 emissions than regional jets, a choice that offers more travel options to/from those regional local communities."

Nathalie Tarnaud Laude, ATR's Chief Executive Officer, added: "SKY express is, once again, placing its confidence in ATR for the extension of its fleet, investing in the most fuel efficient, versatile and cost-effective regional aircraft to open up new opportunities for Greek communities and tourists alike. SKY express' growth also illustrates the dynamism of the regional market, continuous success of ATR in Europe, and a shared commitment to sustaining essential connectivity whilst tangibly reducing emissions."

About SKY express

SKY express, is the double-awarded Greek airline in Europe for its continuous excellence and innovation by the ERA Awards 2023. It has the largest network of domestic destinations (33), while it consistently serves with its direct flights an ever-expanding network of 11 European destinations. It has signed major agreements with global carriers such as Air France, British Airways, KLM, Qatar Airways, Emirates, Etihad, Delta, American Airlines, Cyprus Airways, Condor, El Al, Turkish Airlines, Middle East Airlines, Royal Jordanian, Air Transat and easyjet. Therefore, passengers from all over the world have the possibility to travel to Athens International Airport "El. Venizelos" and continue their journey to all the enchanting domestic destinations of SKY express. In 2024 its fleet will be including 27 aircraft, remaining the youngest fleet in Greece. The very important investments in its fleet confirm the company's journey towards a sustainable future and its constant effort to reduce emissions, including through the good practices it continuously applies.

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