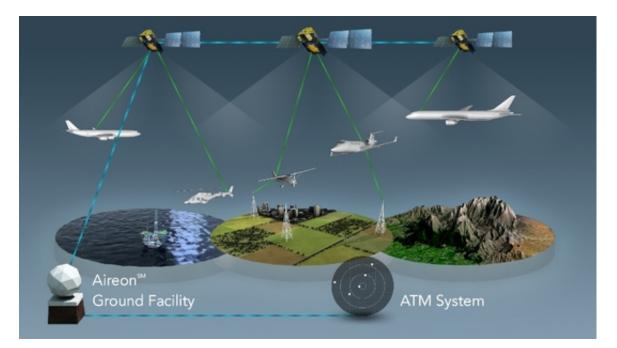


Airlines & Airports



Qatar Airways to Track Its Aircraft Minute by Minute

The Qatari airline will soon be in a position to monitor the position of its long-haul aircraft minute-by-minute. It will deploy new GlobalBeacon technologies, developed by American companies, Aireon and FlightAware.

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Ryanair To Create Over 3,500 New Jobs In 2017

Ryanair announced that it will be hiring



EasyJet Shares Drop 7% as Airline Takes Sterling Hit

British airline easyJet warned that annual

2,000 new cabin crew, 1,000 pilots and 250 aircraft engineers, as well as promoting over 300 First Officers on its command upgrade programme across its 84-base European network. profit had fallen by more than a quarter and hinted trading would remain tough as fares continue to decline and a weak pound weighs, sending its shares down 7%.

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Travellers Vote Qatar Airways Middle East Airline of The Year

Passengers celebrated the airline's Business Class service and new Qatar Airways Premium Lounge for providing them with a consistent and exceptional experience every time they fly.



Heathrow Plans 25,000 More Flights a Year as Revenue Increases

Heathrow Airport is planning an extra 25,000 flights per year from 2021 on its existing runways to give the UK a 'Brexit Boost' as nine month revenues rise.

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Regulations & Safety



FAA Proposes Mentoring Programs For Airline Hires

New airline pilots would go through professional development and mentoring programs along with enhanced training for captain upgrades, under a proposed rule the FAA developed after several years of working with airlines and others in the industry.



IATA Forecasts Passenger Demand to Double Over 20 Years

IATA expects 7.2 billion passengers to travel in 2035, a near doubling of the 3.8 billion air travelers in 2016. The prediction is based on a 3.7% annual Compound CAGR noted in the release of the latest update to the association's 20-Year Air Passenger Forecast.

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Bombardier CS300 Aircraft Awarded Type Validation by the EASA

Bombardier Commercial Aircraft announced that the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) has awarded Type Validation to Bombardier's CS300 aircraft.



No Need to Fly Real Aircraft to Keep Valid Licences in Canada

The Canadian Federal Pilots Association called the rule change "reckless." The association said it will dilute pilot-training skills and put the flying public at risk.

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Editor's Review



World's Best Business Jets for Your Local or Transatlantic Flights

Some customers usually encounter great difficulties while choosing the right jet because of a large number of "private birds" offered by dozens of manufacturers. This time we decided to find out which business jets are considered to be the most popular and why.



Aviation Training Management Software - A Key to Digital Optimization

More than 80 percent of the executives of the aviation related companies acknowledge that digital transformation might positively affect the process of integration across operations as well as within the organization.



Manufacturers



Boeing Lands \$18.6 Billion Deal with Qatar Airways for 100 Aircraft

Qatar Airways will take its first Max in 2018, Al Baker said in an interview. He insisted the decision to pivot to the rival Boeing model wasn't intended as retaliation against the European plane maker.



Airbus Offers a Peek at Its Flying Tax

The drawings depict a craft that can take off and land vertically. It has helicopterlike struts, and two sets of tilting wings each with four electric motors. There's room for a passenger under a canopy that retracts like a motorcycle helmet visor.



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Airbus Brings Jets, Spacecraft, Helicopters and Missile Under One Roof

Airbus Group further integrates by merging its Group structure with its largest division Airbus Commercial Aircraft into a new entity. The Board of Directors of Airbus Group approved a respective proposal by the company's Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Tom Enders.



Right on Time, Cessna Citation Longitude Takes Flight

The Cessna Citation Longitude made its successful first flight from the company's east campus Beech Field Airport in Wichita on Saturday, parent company Textron Aviation announced. This comes less than a year after the company unveiled the new super-midsize business jet last year at the NBAA Convention.

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Pratt & Whitney Signs an Agreement with Satair Group

Pratt & Whitney, a United Technologies Corp. (NYSE: UTX) company, announced that it has entered into an agreement with Satair Group, a leading provider of aftermarket services and solutions for the civil aerospace industry, for the exclusive distribution of PW4000 100-inch engine thrust reverser spare parts.

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Lufthansa Technik to Provide Paperless Maintenance

The electronic job sheet (eJobcard) has already been introduced at all German line maintenance stations, and the Ground Log Book (GLB), a paper-based document, has been replaced with the electronic Ground Log (eGL).

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GE Aviation Completes Initial Ground Testing of GE9X Engine

According to GE, the first GE9X engine accumulated 167 hours, 213 cycles and 89 starts during ground testing. The recent testing provided data on the engine's aero and thermal characteristics, mechanical integrity, performance and operability.

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Military & Defence



Russia to Begin Production of the Unique SR-10 Jet Trainer in 2017

The Russian company Modern Aviation Technologies (KB SAT) plans to begin production of the new SR-10 singleengine light aerobatic jet trainer aircraft in 2017, TASS reported.



US Military Builds a New Air Base in Northern Syria

"When I got that email saying I had got it I sent it to all my family and friends. I said, 'I have got it – I will be flying an A380'. I was very happy and excited and my family were very excited – everyone in the UAE knows an A380."

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The U.S. Navy Awards BAE Systems a Contract Worth US\$52m

Under the new contract, which is a continuation of work that BAE Systems has been performing for decades, the company will test, evaluate, and certify Navy aircraft landing systems and subsystems.

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Russia to Test PAK FA Fighters With Operational Engines in Late 2017

PAK FA, equipped with advanced avionics and all-digital flight systems, is set to become the first operational stealth aircraft of the Russian Aerospace Forces. The operational engine for PAK FA should begin tests in the end of 2017.

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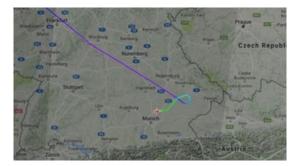
Accidents & Investigations



Plane Makes Emergency Diversion Due to Airport Worker Trapped in Cargo

A TAAG Angola Airlines flight made an emergency diversion 40 minutes after takeoff when it was discovered that a worker was trapped in the cargo hold.

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Flight to Tel Aviv Makes an Emergency Landing in Munich

A scheduled flight from Dusseldorf to Tel Aviv by ST Germania Airlines was forced to make an emergency landing in Munich. Flight ST 6256 left Dusseldorf at 6:15, 15 minutes later than scheduled.

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Air India Plane with 128 Passengers Suffers Tyre Burst

"Air India flight AI 614 from Ahmedabad for Mumbai with 128 passengers and crew members suffered a tyre bust at 09:04 hours during landing at the Chhatrapati Shivaji International Airport," an Air India spokesperson said.

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Emergency Landing in Canada: Smoke in Lufthansa Jumbo Jet Cockpit

A Lufthansa Boeing 747 jumbo jet with 363 people on board made an emergency landing in eastern Canada on Tuesday after being diverted due to smoke in the cockpit, the German airline says.

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Helicopters



Airbus Helicopter's Open Letter to the Polish Prime Minister

In light of recent statements regarding the status of the multirole helicopter tender in Poland, Airbus Helicopters feels the need to refute a number of misleading allegations reported in the media.

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ATEC to Demonstrate New Capability for Future Vertical Lift Helicopters

The U.S. Department of the Army has awarded a contract to the Advanced Turbine Engine Company (ATEC) – a joint venture of Honeywell and Pratt & Whitney – for the development and demonstration of advanced engine capabilities that could be applicable to a new fleet of future vertical lift combat helicopters.



Russia-India Sign Agreement to Jointly Produce Ka-226T Helicopters

"The joint venture for local production of the helicopter is a profoundly new and substantial step in the development of cooperation between India and Russia. This is the first of such large-scale complex agreements for delivery and production of new helicopters," Rostec chief executive officer Sergei Chemezov said.



China Goes All Out to Become 'Global Aviation Power'

Chinese leadership views investing in domestic aviation, both civilian and military, as one of the country's top priorities in hopes that this will help Beijing improve its manufacturing industry, boost innovation and improve national defense, Xinhua reported.





Flights Between UK and China to Increase by 150%

According to the Transport Secretary, Chris Grayling, the deal is a "big moment" for the UK, adding: "Strong connections with emerging markets like China are vital for us if we are to continue competing on the global economic stage.



Airlines Technology Signs Pact with British Airways

Airlines Technology (AT), an IT solutions provider funded by Travel Startups, has signed a commercial agreement with British Airways as an interface between the airline and its passenger for creating seamless travel experience.

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Pilot's Training



Chinese Pilots Learn Russian to Fly Su-35 Fighters

A new shipment of Russian-made Sukhoi Su-35 multirole fighter aircraft soon to be delivered to China will be fitted with onboard readout systems that display data in Russian.

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ATCT to Select MOMook Software for Its Training Management

Aviation Training Center of Tunisia and MOMook has signed a cooperation agreement for two years to use a webbased MOMook application. This allows ATCTs employees and its clients to access MOMook from any Internet-enabled device and location.



CAE Wins Defence Contracts Valued at More than C\$100 Million

Some of the key contracts include the U.S Air Force exercising a contract option for CAE USA to continue providing KC-135 tanker aircrew training services; Rotorsim to provide long-term maintenance and support services on a variety of helicopter simulators;

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