

Airlines & Airports



Austrian Airlines Introduces New Career Model for Pilots

A new career model has been introduced for the approx. 1,000 pilots working for Austrian Airlines. The accord was signed by the company, the Works Council for the flight crew, the trade union and the Austrian Federal Economic Chamber within the context of a reform of the collective agreement.

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Hong Kong Airlines Confirms Order for 9 More A330s

Hong Kong Airlines has signed a contract



Qantas Adds New Route to Japan to Meet Growing Demand

Qantas will launch daily direct flights

with Airbus for the firm order of nine additional A330-300 aircraft.

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Singapore Airlines Will Not Extend Lease On First A380

Singapore Airlines (SIA) will not extend the lease on its first Airbus A380-800 when the contract expires in October 2017, but still has five A380s on firm order with Airbus for delivery from 2H 2017.

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between Melbourne and Tokyo's Narita Airport from 16th December 2016.

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China Airlines' First A350 XWB Takes to the Skies

The aircraft bearing the airline's distinctive livery will now enter the final phase of production, including further ground and flight tests. This first A350-900 for China Airlines is scheduled for delivery in the coming weeks.

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Regulations & Safety



European ATC Strikes Hit 1 Million Minutes of Delay in 2016

IATA condemned the effects of air traffic controller strikes, which have caused 1 million minutes of delay across Europe this year, and called for governments to take steps to ensure service continuity in the face of industrial action.

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FAA Proposes \$892,500 Civil Penalty Against Air Methods Corp.

FAA proposes an \$892,500 civil penalty against Air Methods Corp. of Englewood, Colo., for allegedly operating an Airbus EC-135 helicopter on passenger-carrying flights when it was not airworthy.

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FAA Contemplating Whether Millions of Drones Will Fill Skies

Federal aviation officials say so many people are registering drones and applying for drone pilot licenses, they wonder if there will eventually be millions of drones crowding the nation's skies.

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Pilots' Training



BAA Training Starts Wizz Air Cadet Program for Future Pilots

BAA Training, a European standard aviation training center, starts Wizz Air Cadet Program in October in order to fulfill the growing demand of future pilots in Europe. The five-year agreement will involve up to 150 cadets. The courses will be delivered under EASA regulations for the commercial license.

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Manufacturers



China Becomes World's First Trillion Dollar Aviation Market

China's leading provider of commercial airplanes, projects a demand for 6,810 new airplanes in China over the next 20 years.

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Boeing Reveals First Two Aircraft for U.S. Air Force T-X Competition

Boeing and Saab AB will use their two production T-X aircraft to show the U.S. Air Force the advantages of their approach.

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Accidents



airBaltic's Bombardier Q400 Emergency Landing in Riga

airBaltic expresses regrets about the incident on September 17 at Riga International Airport. Due to an indication of a technical issue with nose landing gear, airBaltic flight was diverted back to the airport and made an emergency landing at 10:26 local time.

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Single Engine Plane Crashed Into a House in Glibert, Arizona

A couple were watching TV at home Saturday night, when a single engine plane crashed into their house in Glibert, Arizona. Amazingly, the pair have escaped unharmed.

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Trigana Air's Boeing 737 Skidded Off The Runway in Jayawijaya

Authorities have closed Wamena Airport in Jayawijaya, Papua, after a cargo aircraft belonging to airline company PT Trigana Air Service skidded off the runway.

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Military & Defence



South Korea Mulling Purchase of 20 More F-35 Stealth Fighter Jets

The Republic of Korea Air Force is considering purchasing 20 additional fifth-generation stealth multirole Joint Strike Fighter F-35As in order to boost its air combat capabilities in the event of war with North Korea, according to senior ROK defense officials.

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Spanish Army Takes Receipt of First NH90s

The Directorate General of Armament and Equipment completed the transfer of the first two NH90 tactical transport helicopters from the Airbus Helicopters plant in Albacete to the Spanish Army.

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Russia No Longer Needs Ukrainian Engines for Combat Helicopters

Russia has become independent from Ukrainian-produced engines VK-2500 for Mi and Ka type helicopters, now they are completely manufactured in Russia, said a spokesman of the United Engine Corporation.

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Simulators Industry



CAE Wins Defence Contracts Valued at More than C\$120 Million

CAE announced it has won defence contracts valued at more than C\$120 million to provide a range of training services and simulation product upgrades for global military customers.

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Global Flight Simulator Market Worth \$7.54 Billion by 2021

The global flight simulator market is expected to grow from USD 6.18 billion in 2016 to USD 7.54 billion by 2021, at a CAGR of 4.1% from 2016 to 2021.

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General Aviation



UAE's First Female A380 Pilot Aims to Fly High

Her sister is the country's first female fighter pilot. Her brother flies a helicopter. So it is no surprise that Aisha Al Mansouri has become the UAE's first female pilot of an A380.

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