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Local operators to get easier access to Airbus standards and latest technologies in maintenance training
During the International Aviation and Space Salon MAKS-2013, Airbus and S7 Engineering, part of Engineering Holding, signed an agreement to develop long term maintenance partnership in the region. As part of this, S7 Engineering, a leading maintenance and repair facility in Russia, will acquire Airbus training skills and standards to provide OEM-backed maintenance training capabilities for its personnel and for A320 Family operators in the region. Additionally, this partnership will leverage Airbus latest technology training media and tailor the syllabus for the Russian environment and local language.
The scope of the agreement covers the following:
Complete standardization of S7 Engineerings instructors and quality processes to enable their integration into Airbus maintenance training organisation exposure;
Deployment of Airbus Competence Training equipped with innovative digital tools, ensuring active learning in virtual aircraft environment;
Delivery of Airbus type rating and specialized courses;
Applying Airbus optimized standards of courseware, curriculum and examinations.
Vladimir Perekrstov, General Director Engineering Holding said: "We are pleased to develop this partnership with Airbus. Engineering Holdings companies have more than 50 years experience in aircraft maintenance and repair. The company is increasing production and number of specialists annually. This partnership will allow us initially to acquire Airbus standards and skills and later to conduct maintenance training for the companys specialist and also for Russian airlines in their own language to Airbus standards.
Didier Lux, Executive Vice President of Airbus Customer Services added: "We are pleased to partner with S7 Engineering. For the last five years the A320 Family fleet in Russia has increased fourfold, resulting in the growing need for maintenance personnel training to Airbus standards on-site. He adds: "This agreement opens new perspectives in Russia to deliver qualitative and economic benefits to all A320 operators across the region.
Engineering Holding is the largest independent MRO" provider in Russia and the CIS delivering maintenance services for the Western- and Russian-built aircraft. Its heavy maintenance facilities are located in Moscow, Mineralnye Vody and Novosibirsk. The companys line maintenance station network is constantly expanding and currently consists of stations in Irkutsk, Krasnoyarsk, Vladivostok. The organization provides line maintenance services for more than 40 Russian airlines and more than 20 foreign operators.
Airbus is a leading aircraft manufacturer with the most modern and fuel-efficient family of airliners, ranging in capacity from 100 to more than 500 seats. Airbus has sold over 13,200 aircraft to more than 500 customers worldwide and has achieved more than 8,000 deliveries since the first Airbus aircraft entered service. Headquartered in Toulouse, France, Airbus is an EADS company.
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