SAFETY, INNOVATION AND TRAINING - EUROPEAN ROTORS SKILLING THE ROTORCRAFT COMMUNITY

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With the rotary wing sector gathering at EUROPEAN ROTORS (November 10 – 12, 2020 in Cologne, Germany), the aim of this high-level industry event is to set a new standard of networking, discussing and developing the skills of the rotorcraft community incorporating the challenges the industry is facing due to Covid-19.

The concept of EUROPEAN ROTORS envisions a unique conference, training and workshop agenda alongside the trade show, in order to offer visitors strong insights. One of the highlights of the event is the well-established Rotorcraft and VTOL Symposium, held by the European Union Aviation Safety Agency (EASA). The symposium is developed to be the premier platform for European helicopter operators and the industry to jointly discuss current and future challenges with the European regulator. The integration into EUROPEAN ROTORS will allow EASA to expand its audience welcome and reach out to new entities within the rotorcraft industry. The call for papers of potential presenters will start at the end of May 2020 and registration is possible via EUROPEAN ROTORS website.

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Euroavia to host “Rotorthon”

The European student association Euroavia teams up with the event organizers, the European Helicopter Association (EHA) and EASA, to host for the first time a “Rotorthon”. Throughout the three show days, the Rotorthon will gather aviation students to brainstorm over two rotorcraft topics, which will range from design and infrastructure to airspace organisation.

Six teams of students will be challenged to find answers and/or ready-to go solutions to be presented to a dedicated jury, on the last day of the trade show. “We think that our industry needs new and fresh ideas to keep up with the future”, says Peter Moeller, Chairman of EHA. “We are facing many challenges in the VTOL and rotorcraft sector, from integrating a complete new user group into the airspace up to questions on next generation designs. It will be interesting to see how young talents will find answers to certain questions”, adds David Solar, head of the VTOL department of EASA.

Conference Programme focusing on Flight Safety, Innovation, Covid-19 impact and recovery assessment

EUROPEAN ROTORS also gives an overview on the latest developments, products and best practices of the rotorcraft sector: Airbus, Bell, Leonardo and others will share news and important information during dedicated customer briefings. Additionally, confirmed conference highlights are:

- Covid-19 impact and recovery
- industry panels on rotorcraft and urban air mobility trends
- an innovation day focusing on Swiss topics
- a Police Aviation Conference Europe (PavCon)
- a PBN/IFR workshop for operators

For the first time in Europe, visitors can take the opportunity of joining an aviation trade show and booking training courses with certificates handed out after completion. Highly renowned organisations, such as Aerossurance, AECA, Leocopter and EASA, will offer a great bandwidth of subjects for pilots, engineers, and technicians. The topics include, but are not limited to, firefighting, data management, and human factors.

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“We are really proud to offer this comprehensive conference programme. Especially the opportunity to profit from educational lessons done by high class professionals is really unique in Europe,” says Dr. Frank Liemandt, Show Director of EUROPEAN ROTORS. “Having this variety of conference topics confirmed at such an early stage shows the high interest of the entire rotorcraft community and the declared will to engage,” ads Tobias Bretzel, Project Manager of the show.

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