AURA AERO PURSUES ITS GROWTH AND TAKES OVER AIR MENUISERIE

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AURA AERO, the first digital and eco-efficient aeronautical manufacturer, creator of the Integral R, the new generation 100% French twin-seater aircraft, pursues its growth and takes over this september the French aeronautical woodwork company Air Menuiserie. Created in 1998, Air Menuiserie, headquartered in Bernay, Normandy, specialises in repair, restoration and manufacturing of wood and wood-composite structure aircraft, particularly wood-carbon. The company has also achieved several important aircraft modification operations, in particular the CAP 10 BK.

Approved by the EASA and the French DGAC, Air Menuiserie has been working with AURA AERO since 2017 and was a key-partner for the design and manufacturing of the first aircraft launched by the manufacturer, the Integral R. In addition to this partnership with AURA AERO, Air Menuiserie will retain its aeronautical structure repair activity.

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The objective of this merger is also to improve transmission of wood-carbon aerostructure know-how and thus sustain this specialty, particularly through the training of young workers.

Finally, this merger should also help foster the birth of a world leader in certified wood and wood-carbon aircraft, mastering the entire value chain:

• A design office dedicated to dimensioning of wood and wood-carbon aerostructures, with an R&T branch;

• Qualification of glues, aeronautical plywood and wood panels for certified aerostructures;

• Serial manufacturing of wood-carbon aircraft (Integral Family);

• Implementation of the repair of the CAP 10 B as a CAP 10 BK;

• Repair of all wood-carbon structures.

Jérémy Caussade, President and co-founder of AURA AERO, said: « this takeover will enable the AURA AERO and Air Menuiserie teams to reinforce their partnership and their collaborative work, while securing the Integral family business plan. We are very happy to welcome new members in the team, in order to continue together this great adventure : the launch of a new aircraft manufacturer ! »

Founded in 2018, AURA AERO is the first digital and eco-efficient aircraft manufacturer, born out of the wish of three aeronautical engineers to combine the best in the aviation industry and the digital area, in order to design, manufacture and operate flying products with unrivalled efficiency, on the growing market of eco-efficient and low- carbon emission vehicles.

Aerobatics enthusiasts with a combined experience of over 40 years in aircraft engineering, manufacturing and in- service monitoring, from single-seater planes to long-range four-engine aircraft, Jérémy Caussade, Wilfried Dufaud and Fabien Raison aimed at developing a new

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generation, 100% French and eco-responsible twin-seater aircraft. AURA AERO's fundamental values are reflected in the transmission of the French aeronautical know-how, the operational excellence and the inclusion of modern environmental challenges. Available in two models, the AURA AERO range is available in a turnkey version. Based in Toulouse, France, AURA AERO employs some 30 people.

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