



CFM LEAP-1A ENGINES TO POWER 40 XIAMEN AIRLINES' AIRBUS AIRCRAFT

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Xiamen Airlines and CFM International signed a purchase agreement for LEAP-1A engines, to power its 15 A321neo and 25 A320neo aircraft, including spare engines. CFM International has also signed a services agreement for the carrier's LEAP-1B and CFM56-7B fleets. Xiamen Airlines has been a CFM customer since 1992, when it purchased its first CFM56-powered Boeing 737-500 aircraft. In the past three decades, CFM has been providing installed and spare engines, as well as service solutions, to Xiamen Airlines. Today, the airline operates or has on order a fleet of nearly 150 CFM-powered aircraft. Xiamen introduced its first LEAP-1A-powered A321neo earlier this year.

Dong Zhao, chairman of Xiamen Airlines commented: "We have long-standing relationship with CFM and 100% of our fleet is powered by CFM and GE engines. Xiamen Airlines supports the UN's Sustainable Development Goals and has adopted sustainable development as one of our strategic priorities during the 14th Five-Year Plan period. Joining hands again, we will continue to reduce fuel consumption, and fulfill our commitments to carbon peaking and carbon neutrality goals through innovation, providing safe, comfortable and sustainable travel options to our passengers."

Weiming Xiang, president of CFM International Greater China, said: “We highly value our long-term collaboration with Xiamen Airlines, and are delighted to enhance our cooperation during the 6th China International Import Expo. We will continue to provide safe and reliable products and services to support the smooth operation of their Airbus fleet and contribute to their sustainable development as we invent the future of flight together.”

The advanced CFM LEAP engine family is providing 15 to 20 percent better fuel consumption and lower CO2 emissions, as well as a significant improvement in noise compared to previous generation engines. Since its entry into service in 2016, the LEAP engine has been recognized by global aircraft manufacturers and airlines. It has amassed more than 40 million engine flight hours and 17 million flight cycles, while also allowing our customers to save more than 28 million tons of CO2.

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