AIRBUS HELICOPTERS KICKS OFF NEW H145 DEMO TOUR IN ASIA

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Airbus Helicopters' H145 is back in Asia to showcase its performance and capabilities through a series of demo flights in Malaysia, Thailand, Indonesia and Taiwan. The first H145 demo tour was held in Southeast Asia in 2013, covering Malaysia and Thailand. Since then, there has been an increasing interest in this rotorcraft, especially in the emergency medical services (EMS) and commercial/business aviation segments.

This Asian demo tour will be divided into two legs. From 23-30 March, the H145 will visit Malaysia and Thailand once again. The second leg will start in May, covering Indonesia, eastern Malaysia and Taiwan for the first time.

"We are very pleased to bring the H145 back to Asia for demo flights. This is an excellent opportunity for us to connect with customers who could not take part in the previous demo tour," said Philippe Monteux, Airbus Helicopters Head of Southeast Asia & Pacific region. "By actually flying the H145, operators will be able to experience firsthand the power and versatility of this light helicopter, which represents a very cost-efficient solution for all mission needs."

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Current and potential customers will have an opportunity to get familiar with this best-selling light twin-engine rotorcraft which incorporates Airbus Helicopters' trademark Fenestron and innovative Helionix avionics suite for enhanced safety, increased performance and reduced pilot workload. Equipped with a large cabin which can accommodate up to 8 passengers (or 10 in special operations seating), a compact airframe and powerful engines, the H145 features sophisticated mission capabilities and flexibility, especially in high-and-hot operating conditions.

The H145 is the latest member of the 4-ton-class H145 family, which has a fleet of 1230 in service around the world clocking over 4.4 million flight hours. Although the aircraft is very popular in the EMS and corporate transportation segments, its built-in flexibility makes it the best choice of a wide variety of missions. The newest, enhanced H145, which entered into service in mid-2014, has already seen some 54 helicopters in operation in 14 different countries, accumulating more than 15,400 flight hours with an average availability of over 90 percent.

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