



# CHILEAN HELICOPTER FLEET GROWS STRONGER WITH FIRST AW109 TREKKER SALE IN THE COUNTRY

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- **An AW119Kx VIP and an AW109 Trekker utility will be delivered in 4Q2018 and 1Q2019 respectively**

- **Leonardo helicopters fleet in Chile exceeds 20 aircraft of various models including AW119, AW109, AW139 and W-3A Sokol covering VIP/corporate passenger, firefighting, utility and law enforcement**
- **Over 400 Leonardo helicopters are in service in Latin America for civil and military tasks?**

**Leonardo** announced that two additional civil helicopters will be delivered to Chilean private operators by early 2019, adding to a fleet of more than 20 aircraft currently in service. The deliveries will mark the entry of the new [AW109 Trekker](#) light twin, in a utility configuration, into the Chilean market in 1Q2019 as well as an [AW119Kx](#) single engine for VIP transport in 4Q2018. The **AW109 Trekker** maintains the [AW109 Grand](#) airframe, large cabin and top class performance while offering greater payload at a competitive cost, thus proving perfectly suited to meet the stringent requirements of Chilean operators in terms of capabilities, cost/effectiveness and environment, particularly in high altitude conditions.

Types in service in **Chile** include the **AW119**, **AW109**, [AW139](#) and [W-3A Sokol](#) models performing VIP transport, firefighting, law enforcement and utility tasks. **Over 400 military and civil helicopters are operated in Latin America, making Leonardo a major force in the regional helicopter sector covering the widest range of applications** including naval roles, law enforcement and homeland security, EMS/SAR, firefighting and disaster relief, utility, VVIP-VIP/corporate and offshore transport.

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