

## **Press Release**

# Flight Training Alliance deploys an Airbus A220 Full Flight Simulator in Rome at ITA Airways Flight Center

Rome (Italy), August 5, 2024 - Flight Training Alliance (FTA), a joint venture between Lufthansa Aviation Training and CAE, and an Airbus Authorized Training Provider, inaugurated a state-of-the-art CAE-built 7000XR Airbus A220 full-flight simulator (FFS). This latest generation FFS is designed to replicate the flight characteristics and systems of the Airbus A220 and will be located at the ITA Airways Flight Centre at Rome Fiumicino International Airport.

Equipped with high-fidelity visuals, an immersive cockpit environment, and realistic flight dynamics, the simulator will serve as a critical training tool for ITA Airways pilots, ensuring they are thoroughly prepared to operate the aircraft safely and efficiently. The simulator is also available to train other A220 customers of FTA.

"We are proud to collaborate with FTA for the integration of the state-of-the-art Airbus A220 FFS simulator into our Flight Center in Rome Fiumicino. For us, flight crew training is an essential element of our company's growth, and having a high-tech device like this simulator demonstrates that we are on the right path to delivering excellence. We have taken another step in our partnership with FTA, building on the solid collaboration started with the training of our pilots." said Gen. Francesco Presicce, Accountable Manager and Chief Technology Officer ITA Airways.

"The deployment of the A220 simulator in Rome marks a significant milestone, further reinforcing our partnership with ITA Airways. By facilitating a training solution onsite, ITA Airways significantly increases cost-efficiency, while we expand our training network with a very attractive training location." Susanne Kuehl, Chief Financial Officer, FTA.

"We are thrilled to partner with ITA Airways to bring this advanced Airbus A220 FFS to Rome. The simulator will play a key role in ensuring the highest levels of training for ITA Airways pilots, contributing to the safety and efficiency of their operations and the growing need of our airline customers in Europe." Jesus Martin-Sanchez, Chief Operating Officer, FTA.

#### **About FTA**

FTA, a joint venture between <u>Lufthansa Aviation Training</u> and <u>CAE</u>, has been successfully leveraging the strengths and core competencies of both companies providing Airbus A220 cockpit, cabin and dispatcher courses. As an authorized training provider by Airbus, FTA's mission is to support the entry into service of the aircrafts and the crew readiness for A220 operators worldwide. In addition to Rome, FTA also offers tailored training solutions for their A220 customers in Frankfurt, Zurich, and Montreal and continues to expand its training network as the Aircraft fleet grows worldwide.

https://www.flighttrainingalliance.com/



#### **About LAT:**

With its competencies in training flight and cabin crews at ten training locations worldwide, Lufthansa Aviation Training GmbH (LAT) is among the world leaders in the field of aviation training. The company is headquartered at Munich Airport and employs around 800 people at all its locations. Its client portfolio encompasses more than 250 nationally and internationally renowned airlines, among them the Lufthansa Group airlines. LAT operates close to 200 training devices. These include training aircraft for pilot training, flight simulators for all common aircraft types for pilot training, as well as emergency and service mock-ups for cabin crews. The flight schools of the Lufthansa Group are joined under LAT's brand European Flight Academy (EFA).

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#### **About CAE**

At CAE, we equip people in critical roles with the expertise and solutions to create a safer world. As a technology company, we digitalize the physical world, deploying software-based simulation training and critical operations support solutions. Above all else, we empower pilots, cabin crew, maintenance technicians, airlines, business aviation operators, and defence and security forces to perform at their best every day and when the stakes are the highest. Around the globe, we're everywhere customers need us to be with approximately 13,000 employees in more than 240 sites and training locations in over 40 countries. CAE represents more than 75 years of industry firsts—the highest-fidelity flight and mission simulators as well as training programs powered by digital technologies. We embed sustainability in everything we do. Today and tomorrow, we'll make sure our customers are ready for the moments that matter.

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#### **About ITA Airways:**

ITA Airways is a company totally owned by the Italian Ministry of Economy and Finance for the exercise of business in the air transport sector. ITA Airways aims at creating an efficient and innovative air carrier that will become a reference point in providing Italy with quality connectivity both in terms of international destinations, thus boosting tourism and foreign trade, and within the Country, also taking advantage of the train-air integrated mobility. ITA Airways will place the best customer service at the center of its strategy (through a strong digitization of processes that ensure a best-in-class experience and personalized services), combined with sustainability, in its environmental (new green and technologically advanced aircraft, use of sustainable fuels), social (equality and inclusion for a gender-neutral company) and governance (integration of sustainability into internal strategies and processes) aspects. ITA Airways is a member of SkyTeam alliance as of October 2021.



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