

Press release

Strong presence of French aerospace industry at Singapore Airshow 2022

At the Singapore Airshow, which will be held from 15th to 18th February 2022, the French aerospace industry association, GIFAS, will be heading a delegation of 26 French companies presenting their know-how. The French delegation will be one of the largest at the show. The French companies will include prime contractors, equipment manufacturers, SMEs and maintenance specialists.

This prominent presence of French industry reflects the strong relationship between Singapore and France, particularly following the meeting of French President Emmanuel Macron with Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong on 13th July 2018. The two leaders underlined the importance of Franco-Singaporean ties, and in particular the innovation ecosystem between the two countries and their desire to develop free trade between Europe and Singapore. An agreement to this effect was ratified in February 2019 by the European Parliament.

The companies exhibiting under the GIFAS banner within the French Pavilion during this 2022 edition are: AAA Expert, ABC, ADDEV, Aerocampus, Air France Industries KLM Engineering & Maintenance, Air Liquide Advanced Technologies, Axon'Cable, Bolloré Logistics, CETIM, Cobham Aerospace Communications, Cybermeca Groupe Ledoux, DCI Group, Dedienne Aerospace, GMI Aéro, KaliStrut Aerospace, Lacroix, Latécoère Interconnection Systems, Novae Services, R&R Consulting, Sabena technics, Safran, Satys, Sereme, Socomore, Techman-Head and Win MS.

Airbus, ATR, CFM International, Dassault Aviation, MBDA and Thales will also be present at the show with their own stands. For our aircraft manufacturers, this will be an opportunity to exhibit some of their models, including the A350-900, A330neo (Cebu Pacific), A220 (Korean Air), A400M, A330 MRTT, H225M (Republic of Singapore Air Force), Falcon 2000LXS and Falcon 8X (and a Falcon 6X mockup).

French GIFAS member companies are aiming for long-term cooperation with Singapore. More than 2,000 employees work in subsidiaries of French Aerospace groups, representing 10% of aerospace jobs in Singapore.

The city-state has established itself as a top-ranked industrial hub and has become the leading centre for aircraft maintenance and repair in Asia. The French aerospace has established itself as a preferred partner of the country with a shared priority: innovation.

In 2015, GIFAS set up SEAFAN (South East Asia French Aerospace Network) to support French companies seeking growth opportunities in South-East Asia.

About GIFAS: *The French Aerospace Industries Association (GIFAS) was created in 1908. It is an industry body that brings together more than 400 companies ranging from the main prime contractors and system suppliers to SMEs. They form a cohesive, hard-driving high-technology sector specializing in the design, development and construction, marketing and maintenance of all aeronautical and space programmes and equipment, both civilian and military planes and defence and security systems.*

GIFAS represents an industry whose 2020 sales turnover was € 52,9 bn, and that exports 81% of its output and, directly employs 194 000 individuals.

GIFAS organizes the International Paris Airshow every two years, which is the world's premier aerospace event. The 54th Paris-Le Bourget Airshow will run from 19 to 25 June 2023.

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