

## Press Release

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### **Lufthansa Technical Training (LTT) joins the European Aerospace Quality Group (EAQG), quality network**

**Frankfurt, 22.10.2007 Lufthansa Technical Training (LTT) and ASD – European Aerospace Quality Group (EAQG) signed a Memorandum of Understanding today.**

ASD's European Aerospace Quality Group (EAQG) and Lufthansa Technical Training (LTT) today signed a Memorandum of Understanding which will see LTT, the leading provider of training for those working in aerospace maintenance, repair and overhaul (MRO), joining ASD-EAQG's service provider network, Aerospace Performances Improvement (API).

As a member of the API network LTT will be authorised by ASD-EAQG to provide services to a wide range of organisations involved in MRO and the Aerospace and Defence industries. The aim of the API platform is to improve the implementation and robustness of the quality standards of the aerospace industry at both national and international levels.

LTT will now develop services and training within strict ASD-EAQG definitions and standards. Furthermore, LTT will implement programmes to support the development and promotion of standards and guidelines which are necessary to meet the aims of API, with the ultimate goal being the enhancement of the Aerospace and Defence industry supply base performance. The development of these services is in direct response to market demand and will be the primary objective of EAQG and its new partner LTT.

The Memorandum of Understanding was signed in Frankfurt today, by Francois Gayet, ASD Secretary General and Klaus Schmidt-Klyk, Director Marketing, Sales and Customer Service of LTT.

"We are very pleased to become part of the API platform. This cooperation will strengthen our presence in the European Aerospace industry and will help us to establish our new training programs for personnel and companies to ISO 9001 and EN 9100" explained Klaus Schmidt-Klyk. "We are proud to support the improvement of Aerospace industry processes and to be able to deliver products and services within the appropriate time, quality and cost restraints. With more than 50 years of experience in the field of training for Lufthansa Technik, and many other aviation companies, our customers let us know what is important to them."

François Gayet, speaking for the ASD-EAQG stated: 'We are delighted to enter into this partnership with LTT, which will contribute to our objectives of significantly improving quality, reduce costs and furthering the establishment of co-operation between international Aerospace and Defence companies'.

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### **About Lufthansa Technical Training GmbH**

Lufthansa Technical Training (LTT) is the world's leading provider of basic and advanced training for employees and managers working in the maintenance, repair and overhaul (MRO) and the broader aerospace industry. From basic technical training to type-specific further training through to non-specialised technical and non technical advanced training, LTT offers all the important training measures companies require. LTT has now been active in the area of targeted qualification and personnel development for more than fifty years. These comprehensive competencies and experiences make it possible to offer professional training not only for companies in the MRO and aerospace industry, but also in sectors connected to aviation and other diverse industries.

### **About ASD – European Quality Group (EAQG):**

EAQG (European Aerospace Quality Group) is the Quality community of ASD, the AeroSpace & Defence Industries Association of Europe and the European sector of IAQG, the International Aerospace Quality Group. EAQG is a cooperative global organisation of companies (30 European major companies) providing Aviation, Space and Defence products and services. EAQG purpose is to implement initiatives that make significant improvements in Quality and reductions in cost throughout the value stream by establishing and maintaining dynamic co-operation based on trust between International Aerospace companies. EAQG focus is to continuously improve the processes used by the Supply Chain to deliver consistently high Quality products, thereby reducing non - value added activities and cost.

ASD represents the aeronautics, space and defence industries in Europe. ASD has 32 member associations in 21 European countries and represents over 2,000 companies.

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