

connecting any handheld GPS and/or EFB, the RC-1 can serve as a training platform for some of today's most advanced navigation systems. Optional items available for the RC-1 include the Garmin GNS 430 or 530 GPS and vernier-style power quadrants.

Dennis Keesling, chief instructor at Agusta Aviation, commented: "Our plans are to apply for 141 certification and the RC-1 will be a big part of that program, since we want to offer training all the way from private pilot through to commercial pilot for both single and multi-engine airplanes. My only regret is that this system wasn't available at the flight school where I learned to fly."

CZECH CEET

TFC GmbH Käufer has been selected by Czech Airlines as supplier of a new A320 cabin emergency evacuation trainer (CEET). Czech Airlines will use the device to introduce emergency procedures training for cabin crew. It will represent a true scaled A320 fuselage equipped with functional doors, fire and smoke simulation as well as a motion and visual system. The A320 CEET is due to be installed in September 2007.

FIRST FSC SIMULATOR

The first B737-800 FFS has arrived at FSC's new training facility at Amsterdam Schiphol airport. The CAE-built FFS is a SIM XXI™ generation simulator equipped with an electrical motion simulator and Enhanced Tropo™ visual system. Two more B737-800 and A320 simulators are currently being made for FSC by CAE, while Mechtronix is making a B737-800 simulator.



Above

TFC will supply Czech Airlines with a new A320 CEET.

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"The training center is being finalised and we are happy that we can now begin with the installation of the first simulator," said Capt. Bob van Balen, managing director of FSC. "We can't wait to offer our customers the friendly quality we have promised them."

AIRBUS MAINTENANCE TRAINING

Elevated sales and the successful expansion of Airbus have heightened the demand for maintenance training and support services. As a result, Airbus has chosen to co-operate with a number of training organizations, including SAS Maintenance Training. On behalf of Airbus the training will be performed under the auspices of SAS Maintenance Training's Part-147 quality system at its training sites in Europe or at the customer's location.


BOEING PROJECTIONS

In its 2006 Current Market Outlook, Boeing forecasts a \$2.6 trillion market for new commercial airplanes over the next 20 years. Strong market demand for new aircraft will lead to a world fleet with significantly improved environmental performance. The new airplanes will accommodate a forecasted 4.9% annual increase in passenger traffic, and a 6.1% annual increase in air cargo traffic.

The company projects a need for approximately 27,200 commercial airplanes (passenger and freighter), doubling the world fleet by 2025. The majority of these new airplanes will be in the single-aisle (100-240 seats) and twin-aisle (200-400 seats) categories. On a delivery-dollar basis, the largest market is projected to be Asia-Pacific region, with 36% of the \$2.6 trillion total. Combined with the retained fleet, these new deliveries will result in a world commercial airplanes fleet of nearly 36,000 by 2025.


TRAINEES MOVING

CTC Aviation Training NZ has begun moving trainee pilots into the company's custom-built accommodation campus named 'Clearways', near Hamilton International airport. On May 24, 2006, fire partially destroyed the company's leased trainee accommodation, forcing 19 of its trainees into temporary accommodation. CTC's NZ finance director, Chris Wilson, said the company will move trainee pilots into Clearways progressively as each stage of the four-building complex is completed.




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