



## Trade Press Release

### **CAE-built Bombardier Challenger 604 and Challenger 605 aircraft simulator receives multiple certifications in the Middle East and Asia**

**Shanghai, China, April 17, 2013** – Emirates-CAE Flight Training today announced at the Asian Business Aviation Conference & Exhibition (ABACE) that its dual configuration full-flight simulator for Bombardier\* Challenger 604\* and Challenger 605\* business jets, the only one of its kind worldwide, has received certification from the Hong Kong Aviation Civil Aviation Department (HK CAD), the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA), the United Arab Emirates General Civil Aviation Authority (UAE GCAA), the General Authority of Civil Aviation of Saudi Arabia (GACA), and the Qatar Civil Aviation Authority (QCAA). The CAE-built simulator is located at Emirates-CAE Flight Training (ECFT) in Dubai.

“The multiple certifications and proximity to Asia allow us to serve our customers close to where they operate,” said Walter Visser, Managing Director of Emirates-CAE Flight Training and CAE business leader Middle East & India. “We expect this platform to be very successful and a great contributor to the training requirements of *Challenger 604* and *Challenger 605* aircraft operators.”

It was previously announced that CAE has signed a long-term agreement with Qatar Executive, Qatar Airways' corporate jet subsidiary, who will be the anchor customer and first to train pilots on the *Challenger 605* jet.

#### **About Emirates-CAE Flight Training (ECFT)**

ECFT is jointly operated by Emirates, one of the world's fastest-growing airlines and CAE, a global leader in modelling, simulation and training for civil aviation and defence. Housed in a bespoke training centre adjacent to the Emirates Aviation College in Garhoud, Dubai, it was the first training centre of its kind in the Middle East to be approved by the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA), the US Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and UAE General Civil Aviation Authority (GCAA).

Celebrating the 10-year milestone of their joint partnership in the region last year, ECFT has earned a reputation in the industry for training excellence and the centre is now one of the largest in the world. Continuous expansion has increased the facility's capacity to its current position of servicing over 200 aviation clients and training more than 10,000 pilots and technicians a year on a range of Airbus, Bell Helicopter, Boeing, Bombardier, Dassault, Gulfstream and Hawker Beechcraft aircraft types. Commercial airlines, business aircraft and helicopter operators also train their crews and maintenance staff at ECFT.

#### **About Emirates**

Emirates is the world's largest international airline in scheduled passenger kilometres flown, operating a fleet of 199 wide-body Airbus and Boeing aircraft to over 130 destinations in 77

countries in Europe, North America, South America, the Middle East, Africa, the Indian subcontinent and Asia-Pacific.

The airline has experienced rapid and consistent growth, above 20 percent a year on average and has been profitable for the last 24 consecutive years. Financially self-sustained and unprotected, Emirates carried 34 million passengers in the 2011-12 financial year – almost three million more than the year before – and declared a net profit of US\$ 409 million. Since its launch in 1985, Emirates has received more than 500 international awards in recognition of its efforts to provide unsurpassed levels of customer service. More at [www.emirates.com](http://www.emirates.com)

### **About CAE**

CAE is a global leader in modeling, simulation and training for civil aviation and defense. The company employs approximately 8,000 people at more than 100 sites and training locations in approximately 30 countries. CAE offers civil aviation, military, and helicopter training services in more than 45 locations worldwide and trains approximately 100,000 crewmembers yearly. In addition, the CAE Oxford Aviation Academy offers training to aspiring pilot cadets in 11 CAE-operated flight schools. CAE's business is diversified, ranging from the sale of simulation products to providing comprehensive services such as training and aviation services, integrated enterprise solutions, in-service support and crew sourcing. The company applies simulation expertise and operational experience to help customers enhance safety, improve efficiency, maintain readiness and solve challenging problems. CAE is leveraging its simulation capabilities in new markets such as healthcare and mining. [www.cae.com](http://www.cae.com)

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