



## Trade Press Release

### Emirates-CAE Flight Training announces long-term exclusive training services agreement with flydubai for new airline training centre in Dubai's Silicon Oasis

**Dubai, U.A.E., December 13, 2011** - Emirates-CAE Flight Training (ECFT), the joint venture between Emirates Group and CAE, today announced that flydubai will be the anchor customer for the new ECFT airline training centre which is set to open in the third quarter of 2012 in Dubai's world-class commercial park, "Dubai Silicon Oasis." flydubai signed a multi-year exclusive training services agreement with ECFT for Boeing 737NG training.

"Today's increasingly competitive market requires airlines to achieve maximum efficiency and effectiveness from every area of operations, including training. At the same time, safety is paramount to passenger confidence and growth," stated Ken Gile, flydubai Chief Operating Officer. "flydubai has trained with ECFT since our inception, and we are very well satisfied with the exemplary service we receive and the quality of the training programs."

"We look forward to continuing the key training role ECFT has played in flydubai's very successful startup and rapid growth," said Jeff Roberts, CAE's Group President for Civil Simulation Products, Training and Services. "Our first training centre in Dubai has played an integral role in the UAE's aviation industry, and we are excited about launching the new training facility in the coming year to serve flydubai and other airlines in the region."

Emirates-CAE Flight Training will provide comprehensive initial type-rating and recurrent training solutions for flydubai line pilots and cadets, including "wet" training with ECFT instructors and "dry" training in which flydubai instructors use ECFT simulators and other training tools. flydubai has announced plans to recruit more than 400 pilots over the next four years to meet the needs of its growing fleet and serve its rapidly expanding route network. The airline has 20 Boeing 737-800s and a total order of more than 50 aircraft. The airline started operations in June 2009 and recently added its 45th destination.

The new ECFT facility in Dubai Silicon Oasis will focus on airline pilot and aviation maintenance technician training for the types of aircraft popular among air carriers in the region. The facility will initially house four full-flight simulator (FFS) bays with plans to expand to as many as 10 bays. The first FFSs installed are expected to replicate the Airbus A320 and Boeing 737 families of aircraft.

The existing Emirates-CAE Flight Training centre features FFSs for Airbus, Bell Helicopter, Boeing, Bombardier, Dassault, Gulfstream and Hawker Beechcraft aircraft. It was the first facility of its kind in the Middle East to be approved to Joint Aviation Authorities (JAA), Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and U.A.E. General Civil Aviation Authority (GCAA) standards.

#### **About CAE**

CAE is a global leader in modeling, simulation and training for civil aviation and defense. The company employs more than 7,500 people at more than 100 sites and training locations in more than 20 countries. Through CAE's global network of 33 civil aviation, military and helicopter training centres, the company trains more than 80,000 crewmembers yearly. CAE's business is diversified, ranging from the sale of simulation products to providing comprehensive services such as training and aviation services, professional services and in-service support. The company aims to apply its simulation expertise and operational experience to help customers enhance safety, improve efficiency, maintain readiness and solve challenging problems. CAE is now leveraging its simulation capabilities in new markets such as healthcare and mining. [www.cae.com](http://www.cae.com)

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