



Press release

Fokker brand has been internationally renowned for 90 years

Stork Aerospace becomes Fokker Aerospace Group

Ninety years after Anthony Fokker started the ‘Nederlandsche Vliegtuigenfabriek’ (Dutch aircraft factory), the market presence of the unique Fokker name and brand will be further strengthened. From today the group name Stork Aerospace will be changed to ‘Fokker Aerospace Group’. All the individual companies in the group will from January 2010 also carry the Fokker name.

This decision has been taken because the Fokker name is regarded in the international aerospace market as an extremely strong brand, and one that is inseparably linked around the world with aviation, aircraft building, constant innovation and entrepreneurship. The brand's 90th anniversary is an excellent opportunity to make even better use of its unique image for the positioning of the companies. This strong, clear brand name will make a major contribution to that aim.

The Fokker companies in Papendrecht and Hoogeveen will be called Fokker Aerostructures from 1 January 2010. Fokker Aircraft Services, Fokker Elmo and Fokker Services already carry the Fokker name. The companies will remain part of and owned by Stork; there are no changes in the legal structure.

With 3700 employees, the Fokker Aerospace Group holds a prominent position in the aviation industry as a leading player in the market for Electrical systems, Aerostructures, Aircraft maintenance and Technical & Supply Chain Management Services. The group has a balanced portfolio of programs and innovative technologies, which are applied for almost all major customers in the manufacturing industry and for many operators of Fokker, Dash 8, Boeing 737 and A320 aircraft.

The current Fokker fleet consists of 700 aircraft worldwide, most of them Fokker 50, 70 and 100 types. These are safe, modern and economical aircraft which are maintained and kept up-to-date by the Fokker Services companies in the Netherlands, USA and Asia. The recently launched FLYFokker program is an excellent proof of customized support to operators of Fokker Aircraft.

The State-of-the-art aircraft such as the Airbus A380, Lockheed Martin F-35 JSF and the new Bombardier C series are equipped with complex electrical wiring systems from Fokker Elmo, which has locations in the Netherlands, Turkey, USA and China. The fuselage panels, wing sections, control surfaces and tail of the Airbus A380, Boeing 747-8, JSF and the latest Gulfstream G650 business jet, respectively, are made by Fokker Aerostructures, which is renowned for the development of new materials such as Glare and thermoplastic composites.

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