



PRESS RELEASE

Republic Polytechnic signs MOU with Flight Focus, strengthening its aviation programme offering

Partnership with leading industry player will provide valuable industry experience for RP students, and also foster closer collaboration in technology development

Singapore, 11 October 2013 – Flight Focus and Republic Polytechnic (RP) have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), aimed at cultivating the talent and potential geared towards Singapore's fast-growing aerospace sector.

The three-year agreement will see Flight Focus, a leading provider of cutting edge avionics platform solutions for aircraft cockpits and cabins, formalise and expand its existing relationship with RP. Flight Focus currently offers RP's students in the Diploma in Aerospace Avionics internships, through RP's Industry Immersion Programme (IIP), taking in students at their production facility. To date, this programme has received positive reviews from students who have valued the opportunity to experience hands-on assembly and production of innovative avionics products.

Under the MOU, Flight Focus' first with a local polytechnic, the company will offer internships to even more students per semester, and in new roles such as Quality Assurance and Logistics, providing practical knowledge and experience beyond assembly and production. The MOU will also see more students exposed to innovative and emerging Avionics technologies, which are core to Flight Focus' primary products. These include the Wireless In-Flight Entertainment System and the Electronic Flight Bag, the electronic information management device that helps flight crews perform flight management tasks.

Students will also have access to seminars and talks run by Flight Focus' staff, while RP staff will collaborate with the company on technology innovation.

"We are excited about the collaboration with Republic Polytechnic. We are looking forward to providing our part to aerospace training in Singapore in terms of valued student internships, and student final year projects. Additionally, we look forward to contribute to jointly develop training with the departments within RP, with the ultimate objective of enabling diploma holders to tackle emerging technologies in avionics systems," said Mr Ralf Cabos, Managing Director, Flight Focus.





Dr Wang Jianguo, Director, School of Engineering, Republic Polytechnic said, "RP's aviation programme has been growing from strength to strength, with the opening of the new ARCH hangar facility last year, as well as a growing number of partnerships with leading industry players. This MOU with Flight Focus is key, given the company's track record in developing innovative products for the aerospace industry, providing our students with the exposure to cutting edge development that will position them strongly as they seek to undertake a role in this sector."

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About Republic Polytechnic

The first educational institution in Singapore to leverage Problem-Based Learning approach for all its diploma programmes, Republic Polytechnic (RP) has six schools and two academic centres offering thirty-seven diplomas in Infocomm, Engineering, Applied Science, Technology for the Arts, Sports, Health & Leisure, Events and Hospitality, Enterprise, and Communication.

Republic Polytechnic is committed to nurturing innovation and entrepreneurial learning in an environment that develops problem-solving skills and lifelong learning opportunities. Its holistic, broad-based curriculum, covering culture, enterprise development and cognitive processes, prepares students for an active and meaningful role in society.

Republic Polytechnic strives for excellence and has achieved various international and national accreditations, including ISO9001, ISO14001, OHSAS 18001, SS540, Singapore Quality Class, People Developer, Innovation Class, and Service Class.

For more information, visit www.rp.edu.sg

About Flight Focus Pte Ltd

Flight Focus is a certified provider of leading edge avionics platform solutions for Cockpit and Cabin, and an innovative systems integrator for aircraft connectivity (DOA/POA/MRO from CAAS & EASA). The company designs, develops, manufactures and delivers open computing and communications platform solutions, and integrates versatile 3rd-party applications to enable Connected EFB, as well as Wireless IFE & Connectivity solutions and services.

Flight Focus, and its mobile applications partners, provide turn-key solutions to airlines, allowing them to enable their aircraft for mobile messaging, social media, and streaming entertainment to passenger's own devices (Android, iOS and Windows 8).

Flight Focus is currently providing solutions to customers in China, South East Asia, and the Americas. Airlines are able to reduce their operating cost (fuel, communications, and operations),





enhance flight safety with real-time connectivity, and creating new ancillary revenues derived from communications and entertainment.

Leveraging its end-to-end vertical integration services from design and in-house certification to technical support and system upgrades, 100+ aircraft are already equipped with the company's proven technology and turnkey expertise.

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