

PRESS RELEASE

## NAVBLUE and ENAC (French Civil Aviation University) sign partnership to develop new solutions for the aviation of tomorrow

Toulouse, France, 3 November 2021

- **New partnership to develop solutions for tomorrow's aircraft**
- **Bringing together university research and the aeronautical industry**

NAVBLUE, the Airbus subsidiary dedicated to Flight Operations and Air Traffic Management Solutions, has just consolidated its cooperation with the French Civil Aviation University (ENAC), acknowledged as one of the major training organisations in the aeronautics and air transport field in Europe, by signing a partnership agreement in view of developing innovative solutions for air transport operations and services.

NAVBLUE will propose operational deployment and solutions in order to improve the performance and particularly the safety and environmental impact of air transport.

ENAC research labs are thinking about the next-generation air transport systems with the emergence of technological breakthroughs. Furthermore, ENAC students will also benefit from these cutting-edge innovations and will contribute to invent the sky of tomorrow.

*"It is with enthusiasm that ENAC celebrates the signature of an innovative and fruitful partnership with NAVBLUE, a state-of-the-art company in charge of providing flight ops and aviation solutions. We are gathering our strengths to propose full-fledged solutions, improving safety, sustainability and performance in the air transport field. Furthermore, ENAC will be very glad to assist NAVBLUE in research domains,"* said Nicolas CAZALIS, ENAC Vice-President.

*"It is a pleasure for NAVBLUE to sign this partnership agreement with ENAC, recognized as the leading aeronautics and aviation university in Europe for providing a unique combination of academic, professional training and research activities,"* said Patrick HAGELAUER, Chief Strategy & Innovation Officer at NAVBLUE. *"From student collaboration to long term innovation initiatives, this partnership will contribute to fill the gap between university research projects and the aviation industry in the field of Airline operations."*

.../...



AN AIRBUS COMPANY



**About NAVBLUE:** NAVBLUE is an Airbus Services company, wholly owned by Airbus, and dedicated to Flight Operations & Air Traffic Management Solutions. NAVBLUE provides products and services, and supports both civil and military environments, on the ground and onboard any aircraft and offers expertise in a range of areas, including digital cockpit operations, Operations Control Centre (OCC) systems, Flight Ops Engineering, Performance Based Navigation (PBN) and Air Traffic Management (ATM). NAVBLUE employs 460 employees spread across the world, with offices in Canada, France, Sweden, Thailand, UK and US and representatives in several other countries across the globe. More info at: [www.navblue.aero](http://www.navblue.aero)

**About ENAC:** The École Nationale de l'Aviation Civile (ENAC), the school of the Direction Générale de l'Aviation Civile (Civil Aviation Authority, or DGAC) under the supervision of the French Ministry of Ecological Transition, combines education and research in aeronautical engineering, air navigation and aircraft piloting.

Every year ENAC admits over 2000 students who are enrolled in more than 30 programmes of study, and 3500 trainees enrolled in continuing education programmes.

ENAC's 25,000 graduates can be found in some 100 different countries on all 5 continents – proof of the school's international influence. Its scale and its human and pedagogical resources make ENAC the leading European school of aeronautics today.

For more information, visit: [www.enac.fr](http://www.enac.fr).

**Contacts for the media:**

NAVBLUE : Caroline Brown - Tel : (33) (0)6 22 08 86 23 – [caroline.brown.external@navblue.aero](mailto:caroline.brown.external@navblue.aero)

ENAC : Sylvie GAY – Tel : (33) (0)5 62 17 40 16 - [sylvie.gay@enac.fr](mailto:sylvie.gay@enac.fr)