



FAI GROWS ITS FLEET WITH THE ADDITION OF FIFTH GLOBAL EXPRESS

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German Special Mission Operator FAI rent-a-jet AG has expanded its fleet of managed aircraft with the addition of a fifth Global Express (S/N 9084). This brings FAI's total fleet to 25, including its 10 managed aircraft.

In addition to the five Bombardier Global Express jets, FAI currently operates five Challenger 604s, 12 Learjet 60s, one Learjet 55, one Premier 1A and a King Air 350. All Bombardier aircraft are maintained by FAI Technik.

The new Global Express will be German registered and operated on behalf of a corporate client. It will be based at FAI's corporate headquarters in Nuremberg following a full cabin refurbishment and new exterior paint undertaken by FAI's growing MRO subsidiary, FAI Technik GmbH. This project marks FAI Technik's third Global Express full cabin refurbishment in just six months. It is anticipated that the project will be complete by mid-November when the aircraft will be available for charter.

Siegfried Axtmann, FAI Aviation Group Chairman, comments: “We are very pleased to welcome a fifth Global Express to our managed fleet. Through our management contracts we provide value for aircraft owners and offer charter clients a diverse fleet from which to choose. We are delighted to be undertaking another full cabin Global refurbishment marking yet another major project for FAI Technik this year. We are seeing growing demand in our MRO business which is proving to be increasingly successful following an outstanding 2017.”

The additional aircraft also serves to strengthen the company’s position as one of Europe’s largest Bombardier operators, which brings significant operational and cost benefits.

FAI is one of the world’s largest air ambulance jet operators by revenue, having logged more than 200,000 hours flying air ambulance missions. It is also Germany’s largest general aviation operator by fleet operating more than 13,000 hours of airtime in 2017.

This latest news follows FAI’s recent Diamond Safety of Flight Award from the European Business Aviation Association (EBAA) marking the highest safety recognition awarded by EBAA to member companies operating business aircraft for 50 years or 100,000 hours without an accident.

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