AIRBALTIC PILOT ACADEMY OPENS NEW HANGAR IN LIEPAJA

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President of the Republic of Latvia Egils Levits, airBaltic Training and the airline's cooperation partners, opened a new hangar in Liepaja today, on March 12, which construction started last August. "If we look at the Baltic countries, airBaltic is the main passenger service provider, and airBaltic figures show that it is a growing company expanding into new niches. Today, too, we can see here that it is indeed a growing company that has great advantages. This new pilot training centre, where some 60 people are training at the moment – which I believe is a lot given the circumstances, proves that airBaltic is a stable and growing company," emphasizes President of the Republic of Latvia Egils Levits.

CEO of airBaltic Martin Gauss: "We are proud to have our own top-level pilot training programme. Already since the summer of 2018, students from airBaltic Pilot Academy have been training in Liepaja, and we are happy to further strengthen airBaltic's cooperation with our partners from the Liepaja International Airport and Liepaja City Council, making Liepaja an even more prominent city on the map of Europe."

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airBaltic Chief Operations Officer Pauls C?l?tis: “This is an important moment for the future development of airBaltic Pilot Academy. We especially would like to thank the President of the Republic of Latvia, as well as our instructors and students for attending the solemn opening ceremony.”

The total area of the new aircraft hangar is 1200 m2 and it provides space for more than 15 trainer aircraft and technical maintenance of Diamond aircraft. The hangar was built by PICHE and was commissioned on February 10, 2020.

At the moment, airBaltic Pilot Academy has seven trainer aircraft – six Diamond DA40 and one Diamond DA42 and will receive another three Diamond Aircraft planes in 2020. 61 students have currently enrolled in seven groups at airBaltic Pilot Academy. Last October, the first group of 12 students graduated from the academy to become first officers at airBaltic.

The autumn group of airBaltic Pilot Academy students will begin their studies in September and the winter group in November. For more information and to enrol, please visit: http://pilotacademy.com.

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