

Skyguide training center brings new tower simulator into operation

Geneva, 14 November 2012. Skyguide has a high level of demand for air traffic controllers to staff its control towers. The new tower simulator which was formally opened yesterday in Dübendorf will guarantee the Swiss air navigation service provider's training capacity for years to come and enable it to offer training facilities to external customers, giving it a stronger position on the European training market.

Panoramic view with front projection

In order to meet the highest training standards, the new 3D tower simulator provides a 360-degree panoramic view. The skyguide training center in Dübendorf now has three state-of-the-art tower simulators which offer a realistic representation of the view from the towers of a number of different airports. The newly opened "TOSIM green" simulator has 17 central HD projectors which provide better image quality than conventional systems with back projection.

Modern air navigation systems

The new simulator is also equipped with the latest air navigation systems, including integrated communication and flight plan information functions, which will be used to train the air traffic controllers who will be working in paperless workplaces.

Better quality training

As a result of the new simulator's more efficient air conditioning system and higher image contrast, trainees can spend longer inside it, because they become tired less quickly. The TOSIM green has enough space to accommodate three trainees and the necessary instructors.

Skyguide now has a tower simulator which meets the needs of a professional, forward-looking and, at the same time, cost-effective training programme.

Photos:

http://www.skyguide.ch/fileadmin/user_upload/pictures/TOSIM_Green_Controller_back.jpg

http://www.skyguide.ch/fileadmin/user_upload/pictures/TOSIM_Green_Totale.jpg

http://www.skyguide.ch/fileadmin/user_upload/pictures/TOSIM_Green_Instruction.jpg

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Skyguide is responsible for providing air navigation services in Switzerland and in parts of neighbouring countries. It has 1400 employees working in 14 different locations and safely and efficiently guides around 3270 civil and military flights a day, or 1.2 million a year, through the busiest and most complex airspace in Europe. Skyguide focuses on continuous improvement, targeted innovation and creative cooperation. Together with its partner organisations in Belgium, France, Germany, Luxembourg and the Netherlands, the company forms the FABEC alliance, which is responsible for managing Central Europe's airspace. Skyguide is a non-profit limited company which has its head office in Geneva. It is majority-owned by the Swiss Confederation.
