



## Communiqué de presse Press release

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## SOGITEC wins the tender for the supply of training equipment for the Guépard, the Joint Light Helicopter (JLH).

Sogitec has been notified by Airbus Helicopters of the contract concerning the simulation means for the training of the Guépard crews for the French Army, the French Navy and the French Air Force. With its expertise in Multi-Role Training Device (MRTD), recognized and appreciated by all its users, Sogitec confirms its position as a supplier of training and simulation solutions within the helicopter field.

The Joint Light Helicopter program aims to equip the three French armed forces with a single helicopter model based on the H160 platform in a militarized version (H160M). Known as "Guépard", this helicopter will replace five different models currently in service with the forces (Gazelle, Alouette III, Dauphin, Panther, Fennec).

With the french Armament general directorate (DGA) as prime contractor of the JLH program, Airbus Helicopters is the overall industrial prime contractor, which includes: development of the Guépard, delivery of 169 aircrafts (in 4 phases), supply of the support and training system, as well as support for ten years from delivery of the first helicopter to the armed forces

Sogitec has been selected to supply simulation resources for the French armed forces training. The first batch includes the delivery of four Flight Training Device (FTD) simulators according to the EASA standard and based on Sogitec's MRTD concept, in the three customer versions: Land, Sea and Air. Sogitec will deliver each simulator with its own building to the four customer sites concerned, starting with Le Luc in 2027, Etain and Hyères in 2029 and Villacoublay in 2030. Sogitec will also develop a Cockpit Procedures Trainer (CPT) for the benefit of the French Airforce. This firm batch also includes a 10-year operational maintenance period starting from the delivery of the first system. The contract includes a conditional phase for the delivery of three MRTDs to the Lanvéoc and Pau sites in 2030 and Orange in 2033, as well as two additional CPT potentials.

André Piaton, Chief Executive Officer of Sogitec, said: "We are very pleased to become a privileged partner of Airbus Helicopters on this program and are eager to begin our collaboration with the HIL teams of the DGA and the French armed forces. We are committed to providing them with the most advanced training resources to support their training and contribute to the success of all their missions."

## **About Sogitec:**

Sogitec is a leader in the supply of aeronautical training products and services for the benefit of flight and maintenance personnel. Sogitec offers a range of products covering the fields of civil and military aircraft, helicopters and drones. Its skills and its capacity to invest in research and innovation enable it to act as prime contractor for complex and multi-year international programs involving multiple industrial cooperations. Sogitec, a subsidiary of Dassault Aviation, is based in Suresnes (92) and Bruz (35), France.

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