

Swiss Helicopter signs HCare Classics avionics upgrade for their H120 helicopters

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Cologne, 9 November 2022 – Swiss Helicopter has signed an agreement to upgrade the avionics systems for their H120 helicopters. The new avionics will modernise the aircraft, provide new safety and performance functionalities and equip it with a more digitally-connected system. This upgrade is one of the continuous improvement programmes offered in the new HCare Classics package – a suite of flexible services dedicated to out-of-production aircraft.

“Our fleet of H120 helicopters are highly appreciated in our spectrum of operations given their excellent low sound levels, comfort, high reliability and good performance,” says Rolf Heuberger, CEO from Swiss Helicopter. “Our pilots, flight instructors and technicians are already familiar with this avionics system, which is used on our H125 fleet, and we’re pleased that the H120 will benefit from the same level of safety and performance this system provides. We’re looking forward to operating the H120 for many years to come,” Heuberger added.

“We are dedicated to providing our customers who operate legacy helicopters with the same high level of support as with our in-production helicopters,” says Christoph Zammert, Executive Vice President of Customer Support & Services at Airbus Helicopters. “Swiss Helicopter is the first of our civil-operations customers to take advantage of this improvement offer and the collaborative approach to developing and certifying this avionics upgrade for the H120. We’re honoured to embark on such a partnership and continue supporting them to ensure the safety, performance, and supportability of their H120’s avionics system.”

Swiss Helicopter is the leading helicopter company in Switzerland and operates out of 15 bases throughout the country and the Principality of Lichtenstein. With its fleet that includes 18 H125s and seven H120s, Swiss Helicopter is one of the biggest helicopter providers of aerial work services, flight training and sightseeing flights in Europe. Swiss Helicopter is a subsidiary company of Swiss Helicopter Group.

Airbus Helicopters’ new HCare offer includes three main flexible solutions: HCare Initial, HCare In-Service and HCare Lifetime. HCare Classics, dedicated to the out-of-production legacy fleet (H120, Dauphin, Puma and Gazelle), is one of the two flexible solutions for specific fleets, along with HCare First for Airbus Corporate Helicopters (ACH) aircraft.

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