



FIGEAC AÉRO RECEIVES THE "SHOWCASE OF FUTURE INDUSTRY" AWARD FOR ITS INNOVATIVE PROJECT "FEELING"¹

The FIGEAC AÉRO Group (ticker: FGA), a leading partner of major aerospace industry is proud to receive the "Showcase of Future Industry" label awarded by "L'Alliance Industrie du Futur" chaired by Philippe Darmayan, in the presence of Christophe Sirugue, French Secretary of State for Industry. This state-supported label aims to give visibility to innovative French technology solutions and to share best practices with the national ecosystem.

FIGEAC AÉRO specialises in the production of structural parts in light alloys and hard metals, engine parts, landing gears and sub-assemblies. FIGEAC AÉRO was again singled out at the highest level for its creation of an innovative and integrated production line for the production of new-generation shells in connection with the LEAP program, for which the Group won two *long-term agreements* valued at US\$ 500 million and US\$ 40 million.

Construction of a building of 7,500 sq.m. for the new production line

FIGEAC AÉRO has incorporated several efficient technological innovations in the new workshop to maintain rates of production. This new production line will include 12 milling towers, palletised by an FMS (*Flexible Manufacturing System*). All workstations will be automated and connected thanks to the implementation of a global information system, MES (*Manufacturing Execution System*), which collects real-time production data through drift indicators (rating drift, machine faults, etc.), to make the right decisions as early as possible in the production chain. To manage geometric drifts, the system combines SPC (*Statistical Process Control*) and connected control tools.

Task productivity is improved thanks to robotics, with task full automation, and corobotics, with human assistance via a robot on recurring or tedious tasks. Furthermore, a system will allow the movement of parts in the workshop by trolley or by air.

Industrial excellence at the service of growth

Thanks to the introduction of these innovative technologies, the FIGEAC AÉRO Group aims to achieve industrial excellence through a production tool that is unique in Europe, ensuring the comfort and safety of operators in order to improve productivity and make production more reliable.

¹ Innovative integrated production line for new-generation intermediary shells.

ABOUT FIGEAC AÉRO

The FIGEAC AÉRO Group, a leading partner of major aerospace manufacturers, specialises in the production of light alloy and hard metal structural parts, engine parts, landing gear parts and sub-assemblies. An international group with a workforce nearly 3,000 employees, FIGEAC AÉRO operates in France, the United States, Morocco, Mexico and Tunisia. In the year ended 31 March 2016, the Group reported annual revenue of €252.3 million. Its year-end order backlog was €3.9 billion.

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About Alliance Industrie du Futur

Alliance Industrie du Futur, a 1901 Law non-profit, brings together and mobilises the skills and energies of professional organisations, scientific and academic players, businesses and local authorities and, specifically, the regions, to ensure the deployment of the Industrie du Futur plan. It organises and coordinates at national level initiatives, projects and activities aimed at the modernisation and transformation of industry in France, specifically by helping it to go digital. To accomplish this, it relies on dedicated working groups. Its actions are expressed regionally via regional platforms, based on networks of Alliance members and local authorities to support SMEs/medium-sized companies at grass roots level.

Alliance Industrie du Futur has 27 members: AFM (French Association of Mechanics), AFDET (French Association for the Development of Technical Education), AFNeT (French association of digital reference in industrial sectors), AFPC (Association of French competitiveness clusters), Arts & Métiers ParisTech, France CCI (Assembly of French Chambers of Commerce and Industry), the CEA (French Alternative Energies and Atomic Energy Commission), Cercle de l'Industrie, CERIB (Centre for studies and research of the concrete industry), CESI (Centre for advanced industrial studies), CETIM (Technical Centre for mechanical industries), FIEEC (Federation of Electrical, Electronic and Communication Industries), FIM (Federation of mechanical industries), the Federation of Plastics and Composites, GIFAS (Consortium of French Aeronautics and Space industries), Gimélec (Consortium of electrical equipment, control and monitoring industries and related services), Mines-Telecom Institute, Institute of Welding, EMC2 competitiveness cluster, PFA (car platform), SYMOP (union of production machines and technologies), Syntec Numérique (trade association of publishers, and firms in Technological Consulting), TECHINFRANCE (French Association of Software and Web Solution Publishers), UIC (Union of Chemical industries) and UIMM (Union of Metallurgical industries and Trades), the Union of Metallurgical Industries and Trades in Provence-Cote d'Azur (UIMM Paca) and the National Union of French Furniture Industries (UNIFA).

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