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EDF Group increases its stake in AURA AERO to €2 million to accelerate aviation decarbonization

One year after acquiring a stake in AURA AERO, a French pioneer in low-carbon aviation, EDF Group increases its participation to 2 million euros, through its subsidiary SAFIDI, dedicated to local anchorage. With this new investment, the Group reaffirms its commitment to providing long-term support for the growth of a low-carbon, regional light aircraft industry, in France.

Accelerating the energy transition in aviation

In a context where aviation must significantly reduce its emissions, EDF Group is stepping up its support for AURA AERO, to accompany the sector's energy transition. By committing to this innovative industrial player, EDF Group is contributing to the development of electric and hybrid aircraft and participating in the structuring of a sector of the future, anchored in Occitanie.

Concrete support for the technological and industrial development of AURA AERO

AURA AERO is developing ERA, a 19-seater hybrid-electric regional aircraft with nearly 700 purchase intentions, valued at \$12 billion. Through its investment, EDF Group will deploy its energy expertise, from battery performance to charging management and the integration of electrical requirements into airport platforms.

At the same time, the INTEGRAL range, the latest generation of two-seater training aircraft, continues its industrialization. The first INTEGRAL R aircraft have been delivered, INTEGRAL S is moving towards certification, and INTEGRAL E, the first 100% electric two-seater aircraft with aerobatic capabilities, is undergoing a flight test campaign following its maiden flight in December 2024.

Beyond its financial commitment, EDF Group is making the expertise of its R&D and engineering teams available to AURA AERO and the aviation sector in general. These teams are working on the development and advanced testing of batteries, as well as the deployment of charging infrastructure dedicated to electric aviation, aiming at standardization and interoperability at European level.

A structuring partnership for the transition of air transport

The partnership between EDF Group and AURA AERO combines two complementary areas of expertise: that of an energy company committed to the electrification of mobility and that of an aircraft manufacturer designing low-carbon planes. Together, the two partners are creating the technical, industrial, and regional conditions necessary for the development of carbon-free regional aviation.

Marc BENAYOUN, Executive Director of EDF Group, says: "This investment marks a new step in our commitment towards the electrification of mobilities. By supporting AURA AERO, EDF Group is helping to develop a low-carbon aerospace industry in France and Europe".



Jérémy CAUSSADE, President and co-founder of AURA AERO, adds: "EDF's commitment and support for an innovative industrial company such as AURA AERO is a very positive signal for the French economy. EDF's expertise in energy decarbonization is a major asset to accelerate our industrial development and promote the emergence of clean aviation in Europe".

About AURA AERO:

A pioneer in low-carbon aviation, AURA AERO is committed to serve mankind by designing and manufacturing aircraft that accelerate air transport decarbonization. By combining the best in the aeronautical industry with state-of-the-art digital technologies, AURA AERO produces new generation aircraft with unrivaled efficiency: INTEGRAL, the two-seater training aircraft with an aerobatics capacity, and ERA, the 19-seater hybrid-electric regional aircraft.

Founded in 2018, AURA AERO is based at Toulouse-Francazal airport in France and employs nearly 250 people. Having obtained design and production agreements, the company confirms its status as a fully recognized aircraft manufacturer.

AURA AERO is supported by the Occitanie Region, the BPI (French Public Investment Bank) and venture capital firm Innovacom. Laureate of the European fund EIC Accelerator, of Innovation Fund as well as the France Relance and France 2030 programs, AURA AERO is a member of the steering committee of AZEA (Alliance for Zero Emission Aviation), and is one of the 16 founder-companies of the European Future Mobility Taskforce. AURA AERO is one of the rare companies to have received the European Union's STEP seal, which highlights projects developing innovative technologies in the field of energy, industry and digital technologies for applications related to space.

AURA AERO is proud to be the first aerospace company selected by the European Innovation Fund to receive a grant financed through carbon credits, as defined by the 'EU Emissions trading System' (ET ETS) - one of the world's largest funding programs for the deployment of innovative low-carbon technologies.

About EDF:

The EDF Group is a key player in the energy transition, as an integrated energy operator engaged in all aspects of the energy business: power generation, distribution, trading, energy sales and energy services. The Group is a world leader in low-carbon energy, with an output of 520TWh 94% decarbonised and a carbon intensity of 30gCO2/kWh in 2024, a diverse generation mix based mainly on nuclear and renewable energy (including hydropower). It is also investing in new technologies to support the energy transition. EDF's raison d'être is to build a net zero energy future with electricity and innovative solutions and services, to help save the planet and drive well-being and economic development. The Group supplies energy and services to approximately 41.5 million customers⁽¹⁾ and generated consolidated sales of €118.7 billion in 2024.

(1) The customer portfolio consists of electricity, gas and recurring service contracts

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