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SELEX Galileo helps create Tornado Training Centre at the Italian Air Force's Ghedi Air Base

SELEX Galileo, a Finmeccanica Company, has delivered one of two simulators to the Aeronautica Militare (Italian Air Force)'s Ghedi Air Base to meet the operative requirements of the tactical Tornado fleet.

The Company managed the restructuring of two training and simulation bases, Gioia del Colle and Ghedi. A Tornado simulator was transferred from Gioia del Colle to the base in Ghedi, and Ghedi base's infrastructure was upgraded, including the construction of a new facility that will host the new E-OFTS (Enhanced Operational Flight Trainer Simulator).

The Tornado E-OFTS simulator itself was upgraded with a "dome" display, augmenting the field of view to 270° x 130°, as well as new software designed to improve crew training.

All of these changes mean that the Tornado simulator is now in all regards a 'full mission simulator', offering a high level of training for pilots and navigators in all areas. In addition, the flexible and modular nature of the simulator means that it can be adapted to train pilots for a wide variety of missions and can be updated to reflect future training needs.

With over 20 years of experience with simulation technology, SELEX Galileo is an important and reliable player within all key simulation programmes in Italy and the rest of the world.

Notes to editors

Recently, the "6th Stormo", operating out of Ghedi Air Base, has successfully passed the TacEval NATO operational readiness evaluation. This was possible thanks to the intensive personnel training carried out on the Tornado simulator in its E-OFTS configuration.

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