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NOTE FROM THE CEO CAPTAIN WISSAM MEHYOU



Every time you step into the cockpit, remember you're not just flying an aircraft, you're navigating your future. The sky doesn't limit you; it launches you. Stay disciplined, stay hungry, and let your passion for flight elevate everything you do.

Captain Wissam Mehyou,
CEO, Intercontinental Aviation Academy

ACADEMY NEWS & MILESTONES

FlyIAA Lebanon: Growth and Celebrations Ahead

FlyIAA Lebanon continues to flourish as a hub for aspiring aviators. On 22 September, a new batch of students is set to begin their Fundamentals of Aviation (FA) course, marking another exciting step in the Academy's training calendar. Meanwhile, preparations are underway for the Open Day in October (date to be announced), which will give prospective students and families a first-hand look at the programs, simulators, and opportunities available at **FlyIAA** Lebanon.

Adding to the momentum, the May Batch of FA students is set to graduate, celebrating their successful completion of training and readiness to step into the aviation industry. These milestones highlight **FlyIAA** Lebanon's growing role in shaping the next generation of aviation professionals across the region.



ACADEMY NEWS & MILESTONES

FlyIAA Cyprus: Advancing Training Journeys

In Cyprus, FlyIAA welcomed a new batch of students arriving to continue the next phase of their training. With access to advanced facilities, professional instructors, and a supportive training environment, Cyprus plays a key role in bridging early education with advanced pilot development. This seamless progression ensures that cadets receive comprehensive training across different locations, preparing them to meet international aviation standards and excel in their careers.



ACADEMY NEWS & MILESTONES

FlyIAA Greece: A New Era of Training in Europe

We are proud to announce the official launch of our first flight training programs at FlyIAA Greece this September. With state-of-the-art facilities and a globally aligned curriculum, cadets in Greece can now pursue internationally recognized pathways, including EASA programs, ATPL training, and Ab-Initio courses for students starting with zero flight experience. This milestone establishes FlyIAA as a key player in European aviation training, bringing together world-class instructors and advanced training aircraft to prepare pilots for the challenges of a global aviation career.



ACADEMY NEWS & MILESTONES

FlyIAA UAE: Founder Batch Success & Falcon Batch Launch

At the same time, FlyIAA UAE celebrated the successful start of its inaugural training cycle, the Founder Batch which will begin on the 22nd of September, which reached full capacity in record time. The overwhelming demand for our programs reflects the region's growing passion for aviation and FlyIAA's reputation as a rising leader in flight training.

To meet this demand, FlyIAA UAE has now opened enrollment for the Falcon Batch, offering aspiring pilots the chance to join our journey and build their future in aviation. With cutting-edge facilities, expert instructors, and a strong commitment to excellence, FlyIAA UAE continues to shape the next generation of airline-ready pilots for the Middle East and beyond.



ACADEMY NEWS & MILESTONES

FlyIAA Iraq: Exclusive Aviation Workshop

In Iraq, FlyIAA hosted an exclusive workshop introducing students to the Academy's aviation pilot training programs. The event provided a comprehensive orientation about the pathways available, including enrollment details, training structures, and future career opportunities. Participants also experienced hands-on simulator sessions, giving them a realistic glimpse into the world of flight training. This landmark event marked FlyIAA's first major initiative in Iraq, strengthening our regional presence and inspiring a new wave of aspiring aviators to take their first step toward a global aviation career.



STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



FlyIAA proudly congratulates Cadet Haddi Makki on a significant milestone in his aviation journey.

Cadet Makki has successfully completed his Foundation Course, logged his required flight training hours, and achieved his first solo flights, remarkable accomplishments that reflect his skill, dedication, and perseverance.

We are especially proud to announce that he is now officially an EASA ATPL (Airline Transport Pilot License) holder and has successfully passed his Commercial Pilot License, a major achievement that sets him firmly on the path to a professional aviation career.

We celebrate his graduation from **FlyIAA** and commend his unwavering commitment to excellence. The sky is just the beginning!

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



Mohamad Ibrahim: Reaching New Milestones

Mohamad Ibrahim has officially completed both his Structured Hours Building and ATPL Ground School training, marking a major step in his journey toward the EASA fATPL. With his strong discipline, commitment to precision, and dedication to excellence, Mohamad is now preparing to sit for his ATPL examinations.

We are proud to celebrate this achievement with him and look forward to seeing him progress toward his final checkrides and the realization of his lifelong dream of becoming a professional airline pilot.

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



Youssef Soufi: Ready for the Final Stretch

Congratulations to Youssef Soufi, who has successfully completed his Structured Hours Building and ATPL Ground School at **FlyIAA**. Youssef now stands at the gateway of the last stages of his training, as he prepares to undertake the ATPL examinations and advance toward his EASA fATPL.

With his eyes set firmly on the skies, Youssef is now entering the final phase of his path to becoming a professional pilot. His progress is a testament to the **FlyIAA** training ethos—preparing future aviators with vision, skill, and confidence.

INSTRUCTOR INSIGHTS



Alharath Bin Sama
Instructor & Head of Students Experience

The First Takeoff is Never Perfect — and That's Okay

As flight instructors, we often see students put immense pressure on themselves to get every maneuver perfect, especially during their first few hours.

Let me tell you this: your first takeoff might be shaky, your radio call might be mumbled, and your circuits might feel like a rollercoaster — and that's okay.

Flying is a skill built on repetition, feedback, and reflection. The goal isn't to be flawless.

The goal is to keep learning, even when it's uncomfortable.

Ask questions. Accept corrections. Respect your pace. The sky is patient, and so should you be.

Tip from the cockpit: Keep a post-flight journal. Write one thing you did well, one thing you didn't, and one thing you want to understand better.

FLIGHT SCIENCE & INNOVATION

Facebook, Twitter, and other online social networks have become an influential part of our lives. As marketing strategy firm WNS notes, airlines are eager to capitalize upon that connectedness. KLM, for example, is experimenting with a "Meet & Seat" program that allows you to share their social media profile with other people who'll be traveling on a flight. It even gives you an opportunity to choose a seat next to someone who has a common professional or personal interest, or who just seems like someone whom you could have an enjoyable conversation with along the way.



INDUSTRY TRENDS & GLOBAL AVIATION OUTLOOK

The global aviation industry is experiencing a remarkable rebound, fueled by growing demand for air travel, accelerated fleet modernization, and a renewed emphasis on sustainability. Passenger traffic has surpassed pre-pandemic levels in many regions, with the Middle East and Europe emerging as key growth markets.

One of the most significant trends shaping the industry is the surge in pilot demand. According to global aviation forecasts, over 600,000 new pilots will be needed by 2040 to meet the needs of commercial aviation. This shortage is creating unprecedented opportunities for new cadets entering the field, making now one of the most strategic times to pursue a career in aviation.

At the same time, sustainable aviation is taking center stage. Airlines and manufacturers are investing heavily in new fuel-efficient aircraft, electric and hybrid propulsion systems, and SAF (Sustainable Aviation Fuel). Regulatory bodies like EASA and ICAO are also tightening environmental and safety standards, driving innovation in aircraft design, operations, and training methodologies.

Technological advancement is also reshaping the cockpit. From AI-powered air traffic management to next-gen avionics, automation continues to enhance flight safety and efficiency, placing greater importance on training pilots who can adapt to both digital and manual competencies.

FEATURED ARTICLE

Building Your Career Path: The Smart Way to Earn and Advance

For student pilots, the first paycheck in aviation is more than just income, it's the first return on your training investment. Flying for work not only helps you recover costs but also builds valuable flight time faster, accelerating your path toward an airline or professional flying career.

At FlyIAA, students follow a clear and efficient training pathway designed to maximize both progress and career opportunities. Training begins with the Fundamentals of Aviation course, the foundation of all flying. From there, cadets advance to the Private Pilot License (PPL) program, which opens the door to flying in a wider range of conditions. The next milestone is the ATPL Ground School and Structured Hours Building which lead to obtaining the Commercial Pilot License (CPL), the key qualification that allows pilots to earn money from flying. To expand career options further, students add the Multi-Engine Rating (ME) and Instrument Rating (IR), gaining experience in more advanced aircraft. Finally, many complete their journey with Flight Instructor Certificates (FI/CRI)—an important step that not only sharpens flying skills but also provides one of the best ways to build flight hours while inspiring the next generation of aviators.

This structured order makes sense: each step builds on the last, while ensuring you meet minimum hours and gain skills required for professional flying. By the time you reach your CPL, you'll be eligible to earn money from flying and start building hours through instructing, time-building programs, or structured pathways with FlyIAA's global training bases.

For those pursuing airline careers, this roadmap is essential. Getting qualified and hired sooner means a better seniority number, a long-term advantage for career progression, schedules, and salary.

FLYIAA COURSE

Every month, FlyIAA will feature one of its prominent courses for readers to learn more about the programs that are offered within the FlyIAA flight training academy.

Type Rating Courses – Master Your Aircraft

At FlyIAA UAE, our Type Rating programs prepare pilots to operate specific aircraft with confidence and precision. Based at our Sharjah campus, these courses combine advanced simulator sessions with modern classroom instruction, fully aligned with EASA and GCAA standards.

Taught by experienced instructors in a professional, dynamic environment, the program ensures pilots gain hands-on experience with certified Airbus and Boeing simulators, including Airbus A320-200 & A320 CEO/NEO, Boeing 737-CL & 737-NG, and Boeing 747-400.

Cadets train on both normal and non-normal procedures, apply airline-standard operating procedures, and complete the course alongside Multi-Crew Cooperation (MCC) sessions—ensuring they are ready for real-world operations.



FLYIAA COURSE

Why Take a Type Rating at FlyIAA?

- **Career Advancement:** A Type Rating is essential for airline employment, allowing pilots to operate specific commercial aircraft.
- **Safety and Confidence:** Training covers complex procedures and emergency scenarios, building the skills needed to manage real-world challenges.
- **Hands-On Experience:** Practical simulator sessions replicate the cockpit environment, giving students a realistic, immersive learning experience.
- **Global Recognition:** EASA and GCAA-aligned training ensures your certification is respected internationally.

To enroll in FlyIAA's Type Rating program, students must have completed their ATPL training (frozen ATPL), hold a valid EASA or equivalent licence and ratings, possess a current EASA Class 1 medical certificate, and demonstrate English language proficiency at ICAO Level 4 or above.

FlyIAA UAE's Type Rating programs equip pilots to meet the highest industry expectations, advance their careers, and operate aircraft safely and efficiently.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTION

What study techniques help with passing the written tests?

Passing aviation written exams, especially the ATPL theory, requires consistency and smart study methods rather than just memorization. Here are some effective techniques:

Study Regularly, Not Just Before Exams Break down your studying into small, daily sessions. Reviewing material frequently helps you retain information better than last-minute cramming.

Use Question Banks Wisely Practice exam-style questions to familiarize yourself with the format. Don't just memorize answers—make sure you understand why each answer is correct.

Active Recall & Spaced Repetition Instead of re-reading notes, test yourself. Use flashcards or apps that repeat questions at increasing intervals—this method is scientifically proven to improve memory retention.

Focus on Weak Areas Track which subjects you struggle with most (like Meteorology, Flight Planning, or Air Law) and dedicate extra time to those topics.

Connect Theory to Practice Whenever possible, link what you're learning in class to real flight experiences. For example, when studying navigation, review your own flight logs or simulator sessions.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTION

Group Study & Peer Discussions Studying with other cadets can help you see problems from different angles and keep you motivated. Teaching a concept to a fellow student is one of the best ways to master it.

Healthy Study Habits Good sleep, short breaks, and proper hydration are just as important as study time. A tired brain doesn't absorb complex material effectively.



VIDEO FEATURE

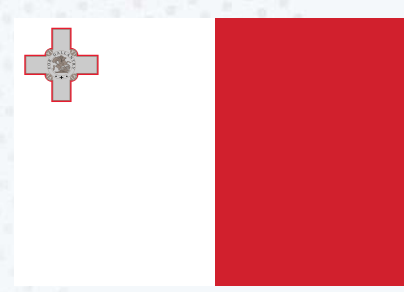


UPCOMING EVENTS & PROGRAMS



Athens Flying Week
Tanagra Airbase Athens,
Greece September 6–7, 2025

Athens Flying Week is Greece's premier airshow featuring dynamic aerobatic performances and displays by the Hellenic Forces. It attracts aviation enthusiasts with its operational aircraft demonstrations and showcases the country's aviation capabilities.



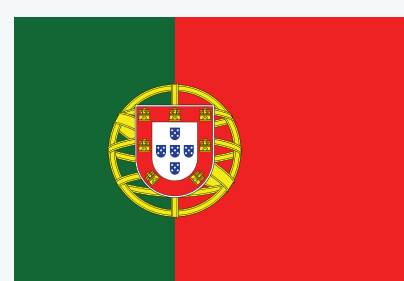
Malta International Airshow
Malta International Airport, Luqa
September 27–28, 2025

A biennial event showcasing military and civilian aircraft through aerobatic performances and static displays. The airshow celebrates Malta's aviation heritage and draws international participants and spectators.



Istanbul Airshow
Istanbul, Turkey
September 26–29, 2025

This event focuses on civil aviation and aerospace technologies. It features exhibitions from global aerospace companies and provides a platform for networking among industry professionals.



Lisbon Aviation Event
Lisbon, Portugal
October 7–9, 2025

An aviation-focused gathering that includes discussions on industry trends and innovations. This event aims to connect professionals in aerospace and aviation management.



Najah Expo Dubai,
UAE / October 05–07, 2025
Abu Dhabi / October 19–21, 2025

It features exhibitions from over 200 universities worldwide and provides a platform for students, parents, and education professionals to explore academic programs, scholarships, and study opportunities.



Baghdad International Book Fair
Baghdad International Fairgrounds,
September 10–21, 2025 10AM to 10PM

This event features book launches, author signings, and literary discussions. It promotes cultural exchange and publishing cooperation, supported by the Iraqi Ministry of Culture.

RESOURCES & CAREER OPPORTUNITIES



Pilot Cadet
B737 MAX
(UAE | Dubai)



Pilot Cadet
A320 family
(UAE | Abu Dhabi)



First Officer
Various Business Jet
(Qatar | Doha)



MPL Instructor
A320 family
(Qatar | Doha)



Theoretical
Knowledge Instructor
Various Jet Aircraft
(UAE | Sharjah)



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QUOTE OF THE MONTH



"Once you have tasted flight, you will forever walk the earth with your eyes turned skyward, for there you have been, and there you will always long to return."

Leonardo da Vinci



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