
MTU Aero Engines profits from Lufthansa order

- **Projected sales: around 80 million euros**

Munich, January 29, 2009 - MTU Aero Engines benefits from a Lufthansa order, expecting to reap about 80 million euros in revenues. The German airline has ordered 20 commercial transports from Airbus and is going to equip them with engines in which Germany's leading engine manufacturer has a stake. The new A321 aircraft will be powered by V2500 SelectOne engines from International Aero Engines (IAE), an engine consortium in which MTU is a partner. Apart from the 20 firm orders, Lufthansa has taken options on further aircraft of the same type; these, too, are to be equipped with the optimized V2500 engine version.

"This order leaves little doubt that in economically difficult times the airline industry will resort to thrifty engines," explains MTU CEO Egon Behle, adding: "The V2500 SelectOne consumes less fuel than other models and is clearly less costly to operate." MTU's role in the engine is the low-pressure turbine, an approximate 11-percent stake. Lufthansa already operates a fleet of 33 A321 aircraft, the first one to bear the crane logo having taken off 15 years ago.

With a workforce of around 7,100 people, MTU Aero Engines is an established player in the global engine industry. The company's roots date back to the dawn of powered aviation at the beginning of the 20th century. Its legal predecessor is BMW Flugmotorenbau GmbH, which was founded in 1934. This year MTU celebrates its 75th anniversary. In fiscal 2007 the company posted almost 2.6 billion euros in sales. In the commercial area, MTU is the world's largest independent provider of engine maintenance services. In the military arena, it is Germany's industrial lead company for practically all engines flown by the country's armed forces. Having carved out leading positions in engine technologies, the company excels in low-pressure turbines, high-pressure compressors, and manufacturing and repair techniques.



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