



JOTA AVIATION MARKS SUCCESSFUL FIRST YEAR IN THE JET SET

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Jota Aviation, the specialist UK air charter firm based at London Southend Airport, is marking its **first year** of operations with its BAe 146-200 regional **jet** as its senior management attends the European Regions Airline Association's annual general meeting in Berlin later this month. In its first year the aircraft will have flown near to 800 hours, flying as far afield as Marrakech and supported a number of airlines on ACMI sub charter contracts. During the peak summer period Jota flew a total of 500 hours.

Jota Aviation Managing Director Andy Green and Commercial Manager Mike Sessions will be in Berlin next week at ERA's 35th General Assembly. They anticipate meeting with potential ACMI and charter clients interested in the BAe 146, now available for charter in 50-seat all business layout as well as its standard 95-seater configuration. Senior management plans to add further Avro regional jets to the fleet within the next year.

Hard on the heels of obtaining an extension of its AOC coverage to include the Middle East, Africa, Iceland, Russia and the Azores, Jota Aviation is now organizing the installation of Precision Area Navigation (PRNAV) for the 146, thereby enabling full European airport capability. This widens the

scope of airport choices for the aircraft operating in European airspace, ensuring popular destinations such as Amsterdam Schiphol, can be better served.

Jota Aviation has also invested in expanding its operational capacity to mirror client demand. It is London City Airport compatible having secured its steep approach approval and the UK CAA has also approved low visibility Cat II operations, improving the service it offers its clients. “We have been really encouraged by the support we have received – from airlines, charter brokers, groups with our jet operations,” Mike Sessions, Commercial Manager for Jota Aviation said.

In a nod to its success Jota, which also flies a fleet of Beechcraft King Air business turboprops, has, for the third time, been shortlisted for a prestigious industry award – the Best Passenger Charter Airline 2015 by member companies of The Baltic Air Charter Association (BACA).

The Company in successive previous years, has previously been nominated for the accolade of Best General Aviation Operator and won the Best Cargo Charter Airline. This year’s winner will be announced at the autumn Awards luncheon at London’s Guild Hall on 14th October. “We are really encouraged by this nomination for such a prestigious industry award. Our primary clientele, the charter broker fraternity, have obviously been impressed with our service. To receive this vote of confidence from such a discerning membership is very much appreciated by the Jota Team, especially in our first year of BAe 146 operations” he said.

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