BAA TRAINING STARTS CADET PROGRAM WITH SMALL PLANET AIRLINES

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BAA Training, European standard aviation training centre, widens its partners' list for ab initio pilot training and starts cooperation with Small Planet Airlines, one of the fastest growing independent leisure airlines in Europe.

The main purpose of the recently launched cadet program is to establish eased opportunities for talented youngsters to become pilots and support the airline with the sufficient number of pilots for the position of First Officer. Under the agreement, 450 future pilots will participate in the program during 2017-2025.

Small Planet Airlines operates a fleet of 17 Airbus A320s and 4 Airbus A321s and is looking for aspiring future pilots to join the team at the beginning of 2018. The first stage of the partnership involves the program for people who already hold a private pilot licence (PPL(A)), have collected flight time and passed all the ATPL theory exams. After a preselection process executed by BAA Training and Small Planet Airlines, one can start instrument rating, multi-engine piston, as well as commercial pilot licence modules (IR+MEP+CPL) and continue with Airbus A320 or A321 type rating. After successful completion of the courses at BAA Training, candidates will be employed

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and offered to continue their career journeys, as well as develop professional skills at the airline.

“When aviation industry faces great demand for pilots, we as an aviation academy are ready to take responsibility and support both parties. We aim to find an airline willing to engage with future pilots from their first steps in aviation training, as well as right candidates who comply with airline’s requirements and values,” explains Egle Vaitkeviciute, CEO of BAA Training.

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Moreover, an upcoming Small Planet Airlines cadet program will be the next step in the company's engagement with its future First Officers. Cadet student will be granted the letter of engagement even before starting ATPL integrated training, it means right after passing the preselection process at BAA Training.

"Small Planet Airlines is famous for strong values and culture. We are happy to announce cadet program, where we are going to select and train entry pilots in our culture. We are going to continue our growth next years to achieve our ambition, so we have a strong demand for pilots joining our airline ", says Kristijonas Kaikaris, CEO of Small Planet Airlines Lithuania.

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