



KLM INTRODUCES FIRST A350 SIMULATOR IN THE NETHERLANDS

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KLM officially commissioned the first Airbus A350 simulator in the Netherlands, marking a significant step in preparing for the arrival of the A350 aircraft, which will join the fleet at the end of 2026. This advanced simulator provides KLM pilots with training on the latest technologies and procedures in a realistic and safe environment.

The simulator was built by CAE in Montreal, where the acceptance process also took place—similar to how it's done with an actual aircraft. In Canada, the cockpit and systems underwent extensive testing before the simulator was shipped to Europe in parts. Installation at Schiphol-East presented a logistical challenge: due to its size, the simulator couldn't pass through the main gate and had to be hoisted over the fence. It is now fully installed and ready for use. The first group of A350 pilots will begin training shortly.



With the introduction of the A350, KLM continues to modernize its fleet. The aircraft generates up to 40% less noise and consumes 25% less fuel compared to older-generation aircraft. Thanks to the use of strong, lightweight materials such as composites and titanium, the A350 can cover longer distances with lower emissions.



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