LUFTHANSA TECHNIK: TEN-YEAR GROWING PARTNERSHIP WITH URAL AIRLINES

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Ural Airlines and Lufthansa Technik look back on a decade of successful partnership. The anniversary of the long-term collaboration was celebrated with an official event at the Russian carrier's home base in Ekaterinburg.

Lufthansa Technik has been supporting Ural Airlines with a reliable component supply and other customized technical services since the carrier added the first A320 to its fleet back in 2006. In addition, Lufthansa Technik partners Ural Airlines as the carrier moves toward its goal of building up and expanding maintenance capabilities both for its own and for customer fleets.

Lufthansa Technik's services in the framework of Total Technical Support TTS® for Ural Airlines currently include component MRO and pool access, ervices for Airframe Related Components ARC®, as well as engine, landing gear and APU overhauls as individual events.
Lufthansa Technik ensures reliable spare parts logistics, including material supply, for expanding Ural Airlines' operations from its central warehouses in Hamburg and Frankfurt.

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The scope of services is regularly adjusted to Ural Airlines' current needs. At the beginning of the cooperation, the airline had nearly all of its technical services provided by partners such as Lufthansa Technik. Gaining more experience with the A320 aircraft family, Ural Airlines began to carry out some of the technical work itself, starting with line maintenance and engineering, and adding aircraft base maintenance in early 2015.

"At the start of our partnership it was crucial for us to gain access to Lufthansa Technik's vast experience in engineering and maintenance of Western aircraft, and to benefit from its well-organized production, variety of services, and strong quality system," says Igor Poddubniy, Technical Director of Ural Airlines. "With the successful groundwork that we have laid together, we expect our partner to support the growth of Ural Airlines with high-quality and cost-effective maintenance solutions."

"Ten years ago, we became a natural choice for Ural Airlines for ensuring safe and reliable flight operations of their new Airbus fleet," comments Dmitri Zaitsev, Vice President Corporate Sales Eastern Europe & CIS of Lufthansa Technik. "Years later our cooperation remains very close. We have always supported Ural Airlines in its development, because ultimately we see ourselves as a partner of our customers."

Lufthansa Technik currently shares its experience with Ural Airlines on optimizing base maintenance in the airline's new hanger, and provides support for developing back shop capabilities. Customer support for Ural Airlines is mostly provided by Lufthansa Technik's Russian-speaking staff in Hamburg and Moscow.

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