FINMECCANICA AW109 TREKKER HELICOPTER PERFORMS FIRST FLIGHT

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Finmeccanica has announced the maiden flight of the new AgustaWestland AW109 Trekker light twin-engine helicopter.

A prototype aircraft took to the air for the first time at the Helicopter Division's Cascina Costa facility (Italy).

The helicopter performed as expected during the flight which included an assessment of its general handling and basic systems. A total of two prototypes will be used for the program development as it progresses towards EASA (European Aviation Safety Agency) certification, which is expected by year end.

The maiden flight marks a key milestone in the development of the new AW109 Trekker.

Designed to provide the perfect solution for utility, public services and aerial work operations, the AW109 Trekker maintains the same characteristics of high productivity, excellent flying qualities, high controllability and maneuverability, robustness and high inherent safety features of the

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Finmeccanica Helicopter Division’s range of light twin helicopters.

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