

European Heli Center and REISER Officially Launch Full-Flight Simulator Project with Kick-Off Meeting in Berg, Bavaria



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Berg, Bavaria, 12 June 2025 – Following the announcement of their landmark agreement at the VERTICON Show in Dallas this March, European Heli Center (EHC) and Reiser Simulation and Training GmbH (REISER) have officially kicked off their joint project with a first project meeting held at REISER's headquarters in Berg, Bavaria.

This meeting marks the operational launch of a project that will bring a world-class H135/H145 Level D full-flight simulator to EHC's upcoming training center at Lelystad Airport, near Amsterdam. The device will support multi-mission pilot and crew training for civilian, commercial, EMS, military, and offshore operations.

Set in the picturesque surroundings of the Sternberger See, the teams came together for productive discussions and shared planning. More than a symbolic gathering, this marked the first formal project milestone, outlining key technical steps, timelines, and collaboration structures to successfully bring the simulator into operation.

A Shared Vision for Advanced Helicopter Training

The Level D full-flight simulator, featuring REISER's proven roll-on/roll-off platform, will allow training on both H135 and H145 aircraft models within one device. This flexibility ensures maximum training efficiency and a future-ready solution for EHC's expanding operations.

"We truly enjoyed hosting EHC at our home base in Berg," said Dr. Thomas Nicolay, CSO of REISER Simulation and Training. "The collaborative spirit and shared purpose set the tone for what we believe will be a highly successful partnership."

"This project represents a major leap forward in our mission to provide world-class helicopter training," added Jeroen Peddemors, CEO of European Heli Center. "Together with REISER, we are shaping a future-ready training environment designed to serve not only European operators but pilots and crews around the globe."

A Global Invitation to Operators and Training Partners

With this project officially underway, European Heli Center warmly welcomes helicopter operators and pilots from around the world to begin early planning for their future training needs. As the simulator and training center take shape, our team is fully available to support prospective clients in developing customized training roadmaps to ensure seamless onboarding once operations begin.

Conveniently located near Amsterdam International Airport—a major hub with multiple direct flight connections worldwide—our state-of-the-art training facility is easily accessible for operators and crews from across the globe. From pilot training planning to logistical and travel coordination, EHC is committed to providing a comprehensive and accessible solution for every operator, large or small.

We believe that great training starts with great preparation, and we are ready to assist in shaping a smooth and effective transition to our new world-class center.

About Reiser Simulation and Training

REISER Simulation and Training GmbH has been leading the revolution in aviation training for over three decades. With a distinctive German engineering touch, REISER has been delivering innovations globally, enhancing the efficiency and safety of flight personnel training worldwide.

Our simulators and training devices minimize the ecological footprint associated with traditional training methods but also conserve vital resources. REISER's commitment to sustainability is evident in every aspect of our operations.

About European Heli Center

With more than 45 years of experience, European Heli Center is a leading provider of helicopter pilot training and operational services. Currently operating training bases in the Netherlands and Norway, the center offers a full range of specialized training solutions. The new headquarters will expand its capacity to meet the growing demand for specialized training in the global helicopter industry, offering programs from foundational flight training to advanced mission-specific courses. Equipped with a fleet of 21 helicopters and a team of expert instructors, the European Heli Center is committed to delivering the highest standards in helicopter training, ensuring the safety and proficiency of pilots worldwide. EHC is also a proud member of the Leading Helicopter Academies (LHA), a global network of premier helicopter training organizations.

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