

Finland Selects Aviation Simulation Software from The Preston Group

Boeing Subsidiary Delivers Total Airspace & Airport Modeller

The Preston Group (TPG), a wholly owned subsidiary of The Boeing Company, has delivered a Total Airspace & Airport Modeller (TAAM) for long-term lease to the Civil Aviation Administration of Finland. TAAM is a fast-time gate-to-gate simulation tool used by civil aviation authorities, aviation research establishments, airlines and airports worldwide to analyze operations, redesign airspace, optimize the use of existing facilities, and plan for the future. "Fast-time" means modeling certain activities, like an airport's daily traffic, at many times the speed they happen naturally.

The 12-month TAAM lease with the option to purchase includes TPG support and the commissioning of TPG to perform a study of Helsinki Vantaa airport. Various studies regarding the airport would include a gate study to evaluate new parking area placement for midfield or in the terminal area, the usage of a new third runway, and possibly airspace studies relating to different procedures for departures, arrivals, and the third runway.

The Preston Group provides leading simulation, decision support, and scheduling systems for the global aviation industry. TPG has developed advanced optimization and visualization technology, as well as industry expertise, to meet the needs of its customers through cost-effective software systems and services. Headquartered in Melbourne, Australia, the company also maintains offices in Washington, DC and London.

The Preston Group is a unit of Boeing Commercial Aviation Services, which offers the industry's most complete selection of aviation support products and services.

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