Boeing Opens Advanced Research Center in Brazil to Develop Aerospace Technologies

Research & Technology center teams with Brazilian universities, government and industry to advance R&D activity

SÃO JOSÉ DOS CAMPOS, BRAZIL, June 4, 2014 – Boeing [NYSE:BA] today opened a new research and technology center to work with leading Brazilian researchers and scientists to develop aerospace technologies.

The new Boeing Research & Technology-Brazil (BR&T-Brazil) center is focused on sustainable aviation biofuel development, advanced air traffic management, remote sensing, advanced metals and bio-materials, and support and services technologies. The center is located in the São José dos CamposTechnology Park.

“As part of Boeing’s long-term commitment to Brazil, Boeing Research & Technology-Brazil will focus on collaborative R&D that will benefit Brazilian companies and the people of Brazil, while supporting Boeing’s technology development goals,” said Donna Hrinak, president of Boeing Brazil.

“Recognizing the talented and growing base of technology expertise and research capability in Brazil, we are excited to open the BR&T-Brazil research center,” said Al Bryant, vice president of Boeing Research & Technology-Brazil. “The center will strengthen our relationship with Brazil’s R&D community in ways that grow Brazil’s capabilities and meet the country’s goals for economic and technology development.”

The center’s staff will initially conduct and coordinate ongoing projects with the Federal University of Minas Gerais (UFMG) and University of Sao Paulo (USP), companies such as Embraer and Brazil’s Department of Aerospace Science and Technology (DCTA) and National Institute for Space Research (INPE).

The new facility is Boeing’s sixth advanced research center outside of the United States, joining centers in Europe, Australia, India, China and Russia.

“BR&T-Brazil will connect research activity that we have underway throughout the world,” said Paul Pasquier, Boeing Research & Technology vice president of Global Technology. “Brazil has some of the most innovative technologists in the world, and this center will prove as a catalyst for enabling global collaboration that will mutually benefit Brazil and Boeing.”

Boeing is the world’s largest aerospace company and leading manufacturer of commercial jetliners and defense, space and security systems. Boeing's history in Brazil dates back to 1932, when Boeing delivered 14 F4B-4 fighters to the Brazilian government. Boeing delivered its first commercial airplane to Brazil in 1960 and continues to deliver fuel-efficient products and services to Brazilian airlines TAM and GOL.In Brazil, Boeing has offices in São Paulo and Brasilia. Boeing Research & Technology collaborates with customers, suppliers, universities and research-and-development agencies throughout the world to provide a broad base of innovative and affordable technologies for Boeing’s business units. For more information, please visit www.boeing.com.br.

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