

Canada open for pilot training business with Europe

Press Release from Calgary Flying Club

After 2 successful trips to Ireland with fellow ATAC companies through the Global Opportunities for Associations (GOA) mission. The Calgary Flying Club, Canadian Aviation College and Super T aviation hosted National Flight Centre from Dublin in early August in Alberta. The mission was to develop a relationship between Canada and the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) with regards to flight training licensing.

The successful meetings in Ireland turned into an agreement to move forward on establishing flight training for EASA licencing outside a European Union Country. This ground-breaking agreement will give pilots from all over the world the ability to train in Canada and hold not only a Transport Canada licence but a full EASA licence.

This will open the door for pilots to focus on obtaining a valid work visa in countries under the two regulatory umbrellas. The increased demand for pilots in the European Union alone should help the ability for Europeans to obtain Flight Training in Canada.

The Canadian group of Flight Training Units (FTU) are also in negotiations with several airlines in the European Union that will hire pilots directly from this program exclusively.

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