



PRESS RELEASE

Airbus Foundation delivers aid and aircraft

TOULOUSE: November 29, 2017. The Airbus Foundation and the Air Mauritius Foundation have operated a humanitarian flight comprising 3.5 tonnes of medical equipment on board the airline's latest A350-900 aircraft.

The cargo, which consisted of medical equipment including examination tables, wheelchairs, mattresses and medical beds, will help Mauritian NGOs that provide health care services to the community. Equipment will also be flown to Madagascar in order to ease the tense health care situation in the country.

The aircraft took off from Toulouse on November 25 flying the goods to Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam International Airport, the home base of Air Mauritius.

This is a joint humanitarian initiative facilitated by Aviation sans Frontières, the Airbus Foundation and the Air Mauritius Foundation.

“It is a great honour for us and our Air Mauritius Foundation to be working shoulder to shoulder with the Airbus Foundation and Aviation Sans Frontières to make this humanitarian flight a reality,” said Somas Appavou, Chief Executive Officer of Air Mauritius. “The Air Mauritius Foundation was launched to strengthen our company’s social engagement. Every year, we help thousands of Mauritians in the fields of health, education, sports and culture. This mission is an excellent opportunity to demonstrate the power of cooperation in aviation to bring much needed relief to people in the region.”

“I am proud to see that yet another brand new customer aircraft is being delivered with humanitarian goods on board,” said Fabrice Brégier, President Airbus Commercial Aircraft and a Member of the Airbus Foundation’s Board of Directors. “I wish to thank Air Mauritius and all partners involved for their truly tremendous and tireless efforts to conduct this mission.”

The Airbus Foundation, chaired by Tom Enders, CEO of Airbus, includes Airbus, Airbus Helicopters and Airbus Defence and Space as founding and contributing members. It is the company’s vehicle for corporate philanthropy, using the group’s resources, aeronautic and space products, competencies, diverse workforce and culture for driving innovation to address societal issues. In particular, the Foundation supports the global humanitarian community and inspires and prepares young people for the challenges of tomorrow. Since its launch in December 2008, the Airbus Foundation has facilitated more than 60 relief or goodwill flights to numerous destinations around the globe.