



RUAG AVIATION NAMED HARTZELL PROPELLER SERVICE FACILITY IN CENTRAL EUROPE

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Hartzell Propeller Inc. has appointed **RUAG Aviation** in Lodrino, Switzerland as a Recommended Service Facility. The Maintenance, Repair and Overhaul (MRO) facility covers a wide area of central Europe.

RUAG Aviation's Lodrino facility is an EASA and FAA approved repair station. It is a service center for a number of aircraft manufacturers, including Cirrus, Mooney, Piper and Textron Aviation, which manufacture aircraft with state of the art props provided by Hartzell Propeller. Furthermore, RUAG has complete MRO capabilities for Piaggio P180 and Pilatus PC-series aircraft equipped with Hartzell props.

Max Grob at RUAG Aviation Business Development said, "We have been overhauling Hartzell propellers for years and RUAG Aviation is greatly honored to be awarded the Hartzell

Recommended Service Facility status. The synergies between the aircraft OEMs and Hartzell are obvious and this latest recognition strengthens our market position significantly."

"We are delighted to be able to add RUAG Aviation in Central Europe to our growing international network of Hartzell Propeller Recommended Service Facilities," said Hartzell Propeller Executive Vice President JJ Frigge. "RUAG Aviation's core competencies include maintenance, repair and overhaul services, upgrades as well as development, manufacturing and integration of subsystems on aircraft throughout their entire service life."

The addition of RUAG Aviation as Hartzell Propeller's the 23rd Recommended Service Facility embodies the company's commitment to grow facilities around the globe capable of meeting rigorous standards for customer service. In many cases, Hartzell Propeller requirements significantly exceed those of the governing airworthiness authorities.

The company encourages customers to use a Hartzell Recommended Service Facility for propeller repairs and overhauls. As a member of the network, RUAG Aviation provides the highest-quality propeller overhaul and repair work available, reflecting Hartzell's customer commitment to quality and performance.

It joins a network of Hartzell Recommended Service Facilities located throughout the Americas, Europe, the Middle East, Asia, Australia and New Zealand. This group of affiliated facilities, with factory trained technicians and state of the art equipment, ensures that owners and operators of Hartzell propellers are only a short flight, or drive, away from the best Hartzell recommended propeller service in the industry.

To achieve Hartzell's Recommended Service Facility designation, RUAG Aviation met a number of stringent requirements, including on-site quality systems and process audits and use of factory trained and highly qualified propeller experts. In addition, the new Recommended Service Facility is required to maintain Hartzell-approved specialized propeller tools and equipment along with meeting the company's special process approvals on an ongoing basis.

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