

PRESS RELEASE

Aircelle appoints Philippe Couteaux as Vice President of Strategy, and Vice President of Customer Support and Services

Le Havre, France, February 11, 2016 - Philippe Couteaux has joined Aircelle in the roles as Vice President for Strategy, and Vice President of the company's Customer Support and Services operation.

Couteaux will direct Aircelle's processes and innovation to expand and strengthen the company's position in its core markets as Aircelle develops additional nacelle systems and ramps up their production.

In relation to the aftermarket, he will focus on sustainable customer satisfaction by driving growth in Aircelle's support and services offering for its current nacelle products, as well as for the new systems that will be entering operation in the months and years to come.

Couteaux began at Messier-Bugatti in 1987, where he held several program management and sales positions for the company's aircraft landing gear and aircraft braking systems activities. Later, he participated in the creation of Messier-Dowty - formed in 1994 through the merger of Messier-Bugatti and Dowty - then headed this company's corporate marketing and strategy activities, followed by the management of its sales and programs, all while based in Messier-Dowty's international headquarters in the U.K.

He came to the Space Engines Division of Snecma in 2000 in testing and industrial development. During 2003, Couteaux rose to the position of Vice President - Programs for Snecma's Large Commercial Engines.

He joined Turbomeca in 2006 as Vice President of aviation turbine engines, with global leadership responsibility over product and market strategy, business development, sales/commercial, and program management. Couteaux was appointed as Vice-President and General Manager of Turbomeca in June 2008, having overall responsibility for the company's business with all related helicopter manufacturers and integrators, as well as its strategy.

From 2013 until coming to Aircelle, he held the position as Turbomeca's Executive Vice President in charge of corporate strategic planning and global development - covering all of the company's businesses and processes.

Couteaux is a Graduate Engineer in Mechanical, Electrical and Aerospace Engineering from the Ecole Spéciale des Travaux Publics de Paris, and the Ecole Supérieure des Techniques Aérospatiales d'Orsay en France.



About Aircelle

Aircelle is the second largest nacelle systems provider worldwide, and the leader globally for nacelles on top-of-the-line business jets. A subsidiary of Safran, it employs 3,800 people at eight sites in France, the United Kingdom, the United States and Morocco. Aircelle provides nacelle systems for all the market segments, from regional and business aircraft to the largest airliners. Aircelle also is developing the worldwide customer support and service activity for nacelles and their components.

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