Turbomeca announces the first rotation of the Arrano

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Turbomeca (Safran) is celebrating the first test run of the Arrano which occurred in February at Bordes’ facility (France). The new 1,100 shp engine unveiled last year at Heli-Expo in Las Vegas is designed to power four to-six ton twin engine helicopters and single engine helicopters close to three tons. It fits between the Arriel and Ardiden power ranges.

In today’s market, the Arrano is unmatched in its category: a major benefit of this new engine is a 10 to 15% reduction in specific fuel consumption, when compared with other engines in service today, contributing to improved performance (range, payload) and reduced environmental footprint. Cost of ownership will be reduced through Turbomeca's optimized maintenance concept designed to significantly decrease the need for on-site servicing.

The first variant of the Arrano family, the Arrano 1A, will power the Airbus Helicopters X4, new-generation 5-to-6-tons helicopter.

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Turbomeca (Safran) is the leading helicopter engine manufacturer, and has produced 70,000 turbines based on its own designs since the company was founded. Offering the widest range of engines in the world and dedicated to 2,500 customers in 155 countries, Turbomeca provides a proximity service thanks to its 16 sites, 30 proximity maintenance centers, 18 Repair & Overhaul Centers, and 90 Field representatives and Field technicians. Microturbo, the subsidiary of Turbomeca, is the European leader in turbojet engines for missiles, drones and auxiliary power units.

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