



Hughes Signs MoU to Join the Airbus HBCplus Program

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Hughes Extends In-Flight Connectivity Services to Airbus Aircraft

HAMBURG, Germany, May 28, 2024 /PRNewswire/ -- **(Aircraft Interiors Expo, Booth 2B70)** – [Hughes Network Systems](#), LLC (HUGHES), an EchoStar company (Nasdaq: SATS), has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Airbus to become a managed service provider (MSP) for the Airbus HBCplus catalogue offering to airlines.



"Reinventing IFEC is not just a goal; it's our mission," stated Reza Rasoulian, Senior Vice President of the Aviation Business Unit at Hughes. "Our collaboration with Airbus demonstrates our commitment to delivering high-speed, reliable, and uninterrupted connectivity to airlines and their passengers across the globe. This partnership is a testament to our ongoing efforts to provide airlines with access to top-tier connectivity, underpinned by the Hughes cutting-edge network management and service provisioning."

With both companies focused on providing airlines the flexibility they require to unlock the possibilities of In-Flight Connectivity, the agreement between Airbus and Hughes is a fusion of innovation and expertise. This MoU is the first step for Hughes toward integration into the Airbus network of MSPs as a Ka-band provider, extending the Hughes In-Flight Connectivity services to Airbus aircraft. Hughes and Airbus continue to explore opportunities for other connectivity architectures & services (including Ku-band provider).

For further details, please visit Hughes at the Aircraft Interiors Expo (AIX) booth 2B70 from May 28th to May 30th in Hamburg, Germany.

About Hughes

Hughes Network Systems, LLC, an EchoStar (Nasdaq: SATS) company, provides broadband equipment and services; managed services featuring smart, software-defined networking; and end-to-end network operation for millions of consumers, businesses, governments, airlines, and communities worldwide. The Hughes flagship internet service, Hughesnet®, connects millions of people across the Americas, and the Hughes JUPITER™ System powers internet access for tens of millions more worldwide. Hughes supplies more than half the global satellite terminal market to leading satellite operators, mobile network operators and military customers. Hughes products and services have helped bring in-flight video and broadband to thousands of aircraft for over twenty years. A managed network services provider, Hughes supports approximately half a million enterprise sites with its HughesON™ portfolio of wired and wireless solutions. To learn more, visit <https://www.hughes.com/> or follow HughesConnects on X (Twitter) and LinkedIn.

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