



C-130 European Maintenance Symposium 2018

Salzburg, 15 – 17 May 2018

Dear All,

As chairman of the European Maintenance Symposium 2018, it is my pleasure to invite you to our next EMS meeting which will take place in Salzburg.

We selected the Hotel Imlauer & Bräu, Salzburg as the symposium location and we have secured a discounted rate at the hotel for all EMS attendees.

This year's event will have the main theme "Accomplishing the mission together". We would like to focus on Military and Industry working together for long term maintainability of Legacy C-130s, please see below 3 points for discussion:-

- Shared mission for each partner
- What does best value look like from the perspective of each the operator and industry?
- How can we work better together to ensure the long term maintainability of our aircraft?

All operators are expected to give an open session presentation about their fleet status, projects / modifications, as well as any technical issues. A brief closed session presentation should be prepared to share information about industry performance and mission related topics.

During the last few symposiums we had break-out sessions with the opportunity to discuss specific topics (operators and industry together).

We would like to invite all members to give your inputs on these points or other topics that you want to discuss. To give me time to prepare I need your suggestions on topics before May 2nd

We invite all Service Centres to give a presentation during the EMS. It would be beneficial for us, if you could give an insight into common C-130 problems, issues and occurrences you encounter during maintenance. We would also appreciate information about modifications you have carried out or you have planned for your customers to enable legacy C-130 operation until 2025 and beyond (CNS/ATM requirement, passenger safety, structural enhancements, out-of-scope repairs, etc.).

Vendors are invited to participate with presentations about their capabilities, experience and innovations in the field of component repairs and modifications. Information / solutions about known or foreseeable obsolescence issues are also appreciated.

I hope to see you all in Salzburg to ensure the continuity of information distribution in the EMS community!

Best regards,
Col Wolfgang Haudum
The Austrian Air Force