



Press Release

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DFS Aviation Services conducts feasibility study for Albanian air traffic control on remote tower control applications

DFS Aviation Services (DAS) is conducting a feasibility study for air traffic control on the possible introduction of remote tower control applications. The aim of the consulting project is to create a sound strategic basis for decision-making on the future orientation of selected tower locations in Albania.

Various technical and operational solution options are being evaluated as part of the project. These include a conventional tower, a mobile tower, a remote tower system and a remote tower control centre that can serve several airports simultaneously and also function as a contingency facility.

In a second step, one of the options will be analysed in depth. In doing so, DAS will develop, among other things:

- the technical solutions for a possible remote tower system,
- possible operational applicability
- and the structure of a requirements document as a basis for a subsequent tender.

Finally, a cost-benefit analysis will be carried out to transparently present the economic and operational implications of a possible implementation.

The study is scheduled to run for around three to four months. The results will serve as a reliable basis for decision-making by Albcontrol for further strategic planning.

Albcontrol is committed to continuously modernising Albania's air navigation infrastructure in line with European and international standards. This feasibility study represents an important step in assessing how innovative technologies can enhance operational resilience, optimise resource allocation and ensure the highest levels of safety and service quality across our aerodromes. We look forward to evaluating the findings as a foundation for our long-term strategic development, said Albcontrol CEO.

The consultation is manufacturer-independent and neutral, with the aim of identifying the most technically, operationally and economically viable solution for Albania.

"Remote tower concepts offer new opportunities, especially for smaller and medium-sized locations, to further develop the efficiency, flexibility and sustainability of air traffic control. We are delighted to be able to support Albcontrol with this strategically important journey with our expertise," said Andreas Pötzsch, Managing Director of DAS.



DFS Aviation Services GmbH (DAS) is a subsidiary of DFS, the German air navigation service provider (ANSP). It employs more than 400 members of staff worldwide. DAS is a certified ANSP, provides air traffic services at regional airports in Germany and markets its ATM products and services worldwide. Its customers include air navigation services providers, airport operators, airlines and aeronautical authorities from around the globe.

Through its UK subsidiary, Air Navigation Solutions Ltd. (ANSL), DAS is also responsible for the provision of air traffic control at Edinburgh. In the Middle East, the subsidiary DFS Aviation Services Bahrain Co WLL and the DFS Aviation Services Middle East branch in Dubai support the local air navigation service providers in areas relating to ATC personnel and technology. In South America, DAS has a branch office in Lima. DFS Aviation Services additionally offers turnkey remote tower solutions via its Joint Venture Frequentis DFS Aerosense GmbH, together with Frequentis AG from Vienna.

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