

PRESS RELEASE - FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE -



« TOP PILOTS® » : SAFETYN LAUNCHES THE VERY FIRST WORLD PRECISION FLYING eCHAMPIONSHIPS



1-min video teaser available at www.top-pilots.com

Keywords: championships, aviation, simulation, training, precision piloting, e-piloting, aeronautics, virtual reality, decision, cognition

Toulouse, May 20 2021.

SAFETYN, French company developing technological and training solutions to improve the in-flight performance and safety of all aviators, officially launches the first « TOP PILOTS® » World Flying Precision e-Championships. Organized with around ten founding partners including Fédération Française Aéronautique, Thrustmaster, Secapem, Chibane, Micro Simulation and other players in Aeronautics, Simulation and e-Sports, the final phases of these Championships will take place in November 2021, coincidentally with the release of "TOP GUN: MAVERICK" movie. In the presence of a dozen of experienced pilots and instructors, from Naval Aeronautics, Air & Space Forces, Patrouille de France and various airlines, these Championships will take place in the prestigious premises of Aero-Club de France in Paris and Envol des Pionniers in Toulouse and will benefit from wide media and television coverage.

Precision e-flying to identify tomorrow's talents

For this 1st annual edition, several hundred pilots from all over the world are expected to train and take part in the selection phases planned to start during this Summer 2021. The pilots and e-pilots engaged in this competition – wide open to all participants – will compete in a series of various challenges, flying light aircrafts up to military jets. Being exposed to different complex flight situations, participants will be expected to demonstrate their talents in decision-making, engagement and resilience in cognitively loaded environments. The winners of these « TOP PILOTS[©] » e-Championships will be offered to further develop their airmanship and piloting skills, being exposed to real flight events in aircrafts made available by TOP PILOTS[©] partners.

High-Flying coaches and instructors



PRESS RELEASE - FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE -



The TOP PILOTS[©] Challenge will give the most promising pilots the opportunity to benefit from personalized coaching sessions provided by a dozen of seasoned pilots and instructors. These TOP PILOTS[©] Coaches will be trained and managed by Etienne Bauer - current Director of Operations of the Landivisiau Naval Air Base, former Commander of the 12F Squadron, Rafale Marine pilot and instructor and current General Manager of SAFETYN'Academy[©], Marc Croizer - jet fighter pilot for over 30 years and former French Air Force colonel who headed the Civil Security Aircrafts base and the Risk Management Office at the Air Force Headquarters, as well as Paco Wallaert - ex-Patrouille de France pilot and professional coach and the 5 "Chibane" brothers in arms from the French Air Force & Naval Aviation.

The 2021 TOP PILOTS[©] winners will also be offered a day of immersion around aerobatics, with Catherine Maunoury and Antoine Crochon at Chartres airfield. Catherine Maunoury is double aerobatics world champion, President of the Aero-Club de France and godmother of SAFETYN. The winners will also benefit from a tailored "real flight" transition program as part of SAFETYN'Academy[©] and the opportunity to attend the 2021 French Championships and 2022 World Precision Championships at Albi airfield organized by FFA.

"Serious Training" solutions for a safer aviation

Upon launching this unique Challenge, SAFETYN[©] once again demonstrates its deep innovation DNA and proven ability to mobilize highly recognized players in these sectors. This World Premiere in Aviation aims to develop rigor, safety situational awareness and decision-making skills. In the most impactful and fun conditions which can possibly be. The Challenge will also showcase how efficient SAFETYN's MetaLoop[©] methodology is for all pilots, as the quintessence of major best practices successfully deployed in civil and military aviation for the last decades and uniquely made accessible to all private pilots, pilot-students - and most generally to all decision-makers - through SAFETYN'Academy[©] as a way to constantly improve decision-making accuracy and impact in risk-intense situations.

Already 10 Founding Partners of TOP PILOTS as of today. Some more to be announced soon..

- Fédération Française Aéronautique (<u>www.ffa-aero.fr</u>), the 2nd private pilots federation in the world
- Thrustmaster (www.thrustmaster.com), the world leader of PC-compatible flight controls
- Secapem (<u>www.secapem.com</u>), world leader in design and production of live fire training solutions, aerial targets and scoring systems for inflight training of jet fighters
- AIRBUS BizLab (<u>www.airbus-bizlab.com</u>), the global aerospace accelerator of AIRBUS Group
- Chibane (<u>www.chibane.com</u>) composed of 5 brothers in arms from the French Air Force & Naval Aviation
- SEVpro (<u>www.sevpro.fr</u>), manufacturer of Flight Training Devices specially designed for Flight Schools
- MICRO SIMULATEUR (<u>www.editions-lariviere.fr/micro-simulateur</u>), the French reference magazine for all civil, military, land and maritime aeronautical simulation enthusiasts
- Wingly (www.wingly.io), the largest flight sharing platform and community in Europe
- Aéroclub de France (www.aeroclub.com), the very first aeronautics institution in the world (Paris, FR)
- L'Envol des Pionniers (<u>www.lenvol-des-pionniers.com</u>), a recent and high-profile museum based in Toulouse, FR devoted to all aviation pioneers since the dawn of aviation and Aeropostale

About SAFETYN

SAFETYN, a French company created at the end of 2016 and based in Avignon, Toulouse and Geneva, develops technological and educational solutions to improve the in-flight safety of private and professional pilots around a cognitive debriefing-centric continuum between real flights, simulated flights and virtual reality. In 5 years, SAFETYN has developed innovative products and services such as the SAFETYN'Box[©] - an in-flight device focused on human factors - and the SAFETYN'Academy[©] offering enriched and objectified debriefing solutions based on immersive scenarios in simulators and virtual reality. SAFETYN collaborates with CERN, AIRBUS



PRESS RELEASE - FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE -



BizLab, the FabLab of the French Aeronautical Federation, the CRéAE - Research Center of the French Air and Space Forces, the NeuroErgonomics Chair of ISAE- SupAéro and the Global Alliance of the Solar Impulse Foundation, amongst other actors.

Press Contact SAFETYN

safetyn@escalconsulting.com

Maja Tailleux

ESCAL Consulting +33 1 44 94 95 65 majat@escalconsulting.com Ludwig Knoepffler

ESCAL Consulting +33 1 44 94 95 75

ludwig@escalconsulting.com



