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## **CAERDAV OPENS NEW DEDICATED LINE MAINTENANCE STATION AT CARDIFF AIRPORT**

Independent UK MRO, Caerdav, has launched a dedicated line maintenance station at Cardiff Wales Airport, initially providing support for ACMI (aircraft, crew, maintenance and insurance) operator, Avion Express.

The new line station will carry out overnight daily and weekly maintenance checks for Avion Express as part of its summer 2024 contract with TUI, ensuring its aircraft remain operational throughout the season.

Chris Coleman, Managing Director at Caerdav says: "This is a major step forward in Caerdav's ongoing growth strategy, enabling our skilled workforce to provide outstanding line maintenance to a major international airport. As a proud Welsh business, we're excited to add this string to our bow, establishing new relationships with both Avion Express and Cardiff Airport that we hope to develop further over time."

The new line station is manned by six dedicated technicians from Caerdav, who are all rated to work on Airbus A320, Boeing 737, 757 and 767 aircraft. Initially working on the A320 operated by Avion Express for TUI Airways across the 2024 summer season, Caerdav is looking to make it a permanent fixture at the airport moving forwards.

Aleksandr Abramov, Technical Operations Director at Avion Express says: "It's fantastic to be working with Caerdav as they establish the new line station. The summer contract is extremely important for the airline, so having dedicated maintenance support from such a skilled team to keep the aircraft flying all season will provide a massive operational advantage."

Spencer Birns, CEO at Cardiff Wales Airport adds: "It's great news seeing Caerdav bolstering its offering to provide line maintenance at Cardiff Wales Airport."

The new line station opened this month for the summer season, with plans in place to make it a permanent fixture at the airport.

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### **Notes to editor:**

Caerdav is a fully-approved and certified MRO and pilot training company based at the St Athan - Cardiff Airport Aerospace Enterprise Zone in South Wales, United Kingdom.

Operating from a former RAF maintenance base equipped with 6,000ft ILS runway and parking for up to 20 narrow-bodied airliners, Caerdav specialises in MRO work for Airbus 320s and Boeing 737s, and provides complete training for airline pilots and cabin crew.

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