



## READY FOR THE NEXT GENERATION OF PILOTS IN CAMBODIA - NOVATION ACADEMY

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Before the pandemic and obviously after, industry professionals were discussing the problem of lack of pilots. And concretely, where do we stand in terms of numbers? It is obvious, that the number of pilots the industry needs depends on the level of air traffic recovery. If the demand for domestic and international travel exceeds 2019 level, there will be a shortage of 34,000 commercial pilots (or roughly 10% of the total workforce) by 2025. If the economy rebounds even faster, this shortage might reach 50,000.

Cambodia is "lacking 90%" of the human resources required to support a growing civil aviation sector. There are 5 locally-registered airlines operating, according to the retired top officer of SSCA for technical services and operations. To support the Kingdom's aviation industry, Cambodia lacks the necessary facilities and expertise in aviation training. At the moment, most aircraft technical trainings are carried out outside of Cambodia, which results in expensive travel and logistical expenses.



## **Training pilots of the future**

Cambodia aviation industry is entering a new era. In the same time, the world is facing serious shortage of human resources in the aviation industry. Novation Academy is the first Approved Training Organization to offer commercial pilot and private pilot training, as well as aviation english course in Phnom Penh, Cambodia. The academy was founded by Kirill Bratchenko, CEO, an IT expert and aviation enthusiast who has been in Cambodia for 15 years and Eugene Zakharankau, Chief Flight Instructor, who has over 8,000 hours of flight experience.

Good to know - academy's name "Novation" made from "Aviation" + "Innovation". As founders stated: "We are striving to bring innovation into aviation training. Designed to be the best advanced flight training academy in the South-East Asia, we are on a journey to become a key part of aviation's future in Cambodia and Asia, using advanced training technologies and progressive curriculum to empower students to go beyond the ordinary and become world-class pilots."



## **Arrive well prepared**

Convenient and easy-to-use courseware is meant to give students the flexibility to learn at home and arrive well prepared for ground and flight training. Novation Academy new office in Phnom Penh is located in the Center Business District, with a capacity of 30 students, a Simulator Lab, and facilities for theoretical instructors. World-class, Computer-based and classroom-based ground school training, technically advanced airplanes, advanced aviation training devices and what is more than important - Flight Instructors having passion for teaching.

Eugene Zakharankau, Head of Training / Chief Flight Instructor, commented: “Expanded capabilities at the new Novation Academy flight training center will be crucial in addressing the post-pandemic pilot shortage and training demands.”

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