

## State-of-the-art seat design meets air taxi pioneer

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At the latest with the presentation of VoloCity from Volocopter it becomes clear that the future of urban transport will be in the air. The sophisticated concept envisages the use of air taxis for safe and quick transportation, for example between airports and international major city centers. To offer passengers the highest level of safety and comfort during the short flight times, a contract has now been signed with AUTOFLUG. AUTOFLUG has been working intensively on developing light and safe seats for aviation for decades.

The requirements of civil helicopters and aircraft from the urban air mobility segment are met in equal measure with the AUTOFLUG FLYWEIGHT<sup>®</sup> seat family. Extremely light and in compliance with all safety aspects, the modular concept offers a wide range of equipment variants and options. "In the eVTOL sector, we have to pay even more attention to weight and comfort than is already the case in aviation. In AUTOFLUG, we have gained an experienced partner who understands the requirements of this new market and is prepared to tread new paths together," says Jan-Hendrik Boelens, CTO of Volocopter.

The contract includes the joint development of a wall connection for the seats to make optimum use of the available space in the cabin. The contract also includes the production and delivery of seats for the VoloCity for the coming years. "We are extremely delighted that we can actively enrich this pioneering concept with our seats." Martin Kroell, Managing Partner at AUTOFLUG continues: "The strength of the product design, but also the innovative spirit of both companies, are a good basis for the collaboration, with this initial contract hopefully just being the start."



#### About Volocopter GmbH

Volocopter is building the world's first sustainable and scalable urban air mobility business to bring affordable air taxi services to megacities worldwide. With the VoloCity, the company is developing the first fully electric "eVTOL" aircraft in certification to safely and quietly transport passengers within cities. Volocopter leads and cooperates with partners in infrastructure, operations, and air traffic management to build the ecosystem necessary to 'Bring Urban Air Mobility to Life'.

In 2011, Volocopter performed the first-ever manned flight of a purely electric multicopter and has since showcased numerous public flights with its full-scale aircraft. The most notable have been the public test flights at Singapore's Marina Bay in October 2019 and the world's first autonomous eVTOL flight in Dubai 2017. Volocopter is also developing products for the logistics and precision agriculture space with their VoloDrone.

Founded in 2011 by Stephan Wolf and Alexander Zosel, Volocopter has 150 employees in offices in Bruchsal, Munich, and Singapore. The company is managed by CEO Florian Reuter, CTO Jan-Hendrik Boelens, and CFO Rene Griemens, and has raised a total of 85 million euro in equity. Volocopter's investors include Daimler, Geely, Intel Capital, Micron, BtoV, and Manta Ray Ventures. Find out more at: <u>www.volocopter.com</u>

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### About AUTOFLUG

*THINKING SAFETY* – AUTOFLUG is true to this motto. A medium-sized family firm now in the third generation, AUTOFLUG has been a leading provider of products and services since the early days of aviation, specially focusing on rescuing people and ensuring their safety. As a globally recognized supplier and service partner of the international aviation industry and for defense technology, the company with approximately 250 employees develops, produces and services a wide range of textile, mechanical and electronic components and systems, among others. AUTOFLUG, based in Rellingen (Schleswig-Holstein, Germany), has decades of experience and expertise in the areas of rescue and safety, ergonomics, textiles, mechanical systems, precision engineering, electronics, software as well as measurement and control technology.

#### The AUTOFLUG range of products and services comprises:

- Cabin solutions for helicopters, transport aircraft and land vehicles with a key topic of safety seat systems
- Fuel measuring and control systems as well as auxiliary fuel tank systems for aircraft and land vehicles
- Maintenance and repair of Martin-Baker ejection seats for the German Air Force
- Harnesses and restraint systems for aircraft and land vehicles
- Protective equipment for pilots, such as NBC and anti-G suits
- Personal survival packs (PSPs)
- Rescue parachutes, brake parachutes and recovery parachute systems
- Technical / logistical support: Technical logistics, technical documentation, training solutions, obsolescence management

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