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# D-DAY commemorations: the heroes return to Paris

Most of the veterans and their companions arrived on a specially chartered American Airlines flight from Dallas.



**Reynolds Tomer, 107, and Bill Wall, 101, were among the Second World War veterans welcomed at Paris-Charles de Gaulle Airport on 1 June as part of the celebrations marking the 80th anniversary of D-Day.**

More than 100 American and Canadian Second World War veterans were invited to France to take part in the commemorations marking the 80th anniversary of the Normandy landings and the liberation of Paris.

On 1 June, to the cheers of the public and the Marymount International School student choir, 75 veterans, most of them over 100 years old, 'disembarked' at Terminal 2C of Paris-Charles de Gaulle Airport, welcomed by the US Ambassador to France. These emotional moments continued on 3 June, when Canadian veterans were welcomed by the Paris-Charles de Gaulle Airport aviation fire brigade.



The French and US flags, united in tribute to the "guardians of freedom".  
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# Groupe ADP, a key stakeholder in SAF



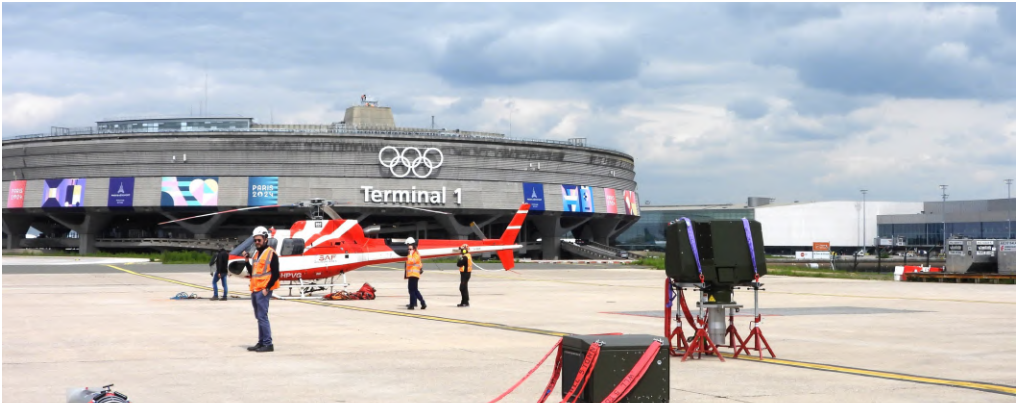
**Groupe ADP is stepping up its commitment to sustainable aviation fuels, with a \$20 million investment in US company Lanzajet through its subsidiary ADP International.**

The production plant commissioned by Lanzajet in Georgia, in the US, will produce 38 million litres of SAF a year. © DR.

**Groupe ADP is the first airport operator in Europe to have made a permanent dual SAF offer available at Paris-Le Bourget Airport, and the first stakeholder in the airport industry to invest in an investment fund dedicated to the development of SAF. Groupe ADP is continuing its efforts by investing in Lanzajet.**

The aim is to boost the production and deployment capacities of the US company's plants. This strategic investment comes just a few months after Lanzajet opened the world's first commercial ethanol-to-jet plant, which converts ethanol2 into sustainable fuel.

*"We will work to increase the production and supply of sustainable aviation fuel to support Groupe ADP airlines and customers worldwide,"* said Jimmy Samartzis, Chairman and CEO of Lanzajet.



It took two days of helicopter hoisting to install the metal structure on the roof, followed by the anti-drone radar. © Sébastien Rabarot for Groupe ADP.

# Helicopter hoisting of an anti-drone radar onto the roof of Terminal 1

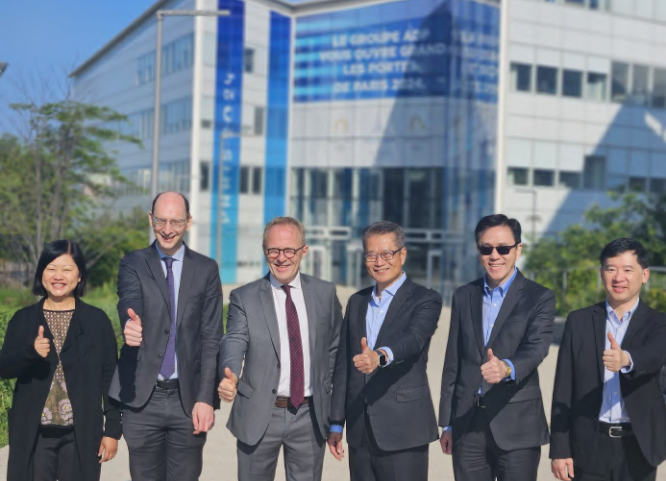
**An anti-drone detection radar has been installed at the top of Terminal 1 at Paris-Charles de Gaulle Airport. This installation is part of a wider system designed to improve aviation safety and security in the face of the growing risk posed by drones.**

Containing 54 sensors, this system will cover the Paris-Charles de Gaulle and Paris-Le Bourget airports and approaches, as well as the Group's 11 aerodromes. It will be operational for the Paris 2024 Olympics. Hologarde, a subsidiary of Groupe ADP, was selected to install, maintain and run this detection system.

The radar was installed by helicopter hoisting, an unprecedented and particularly delicate operation. This took several months of preparatory work and involved significant resources at Hologarde and the many departments that contributed to the success of this operation.

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# Delegation from Hong Kong visits the Innovation Hub



Against the backdrop of the VivaTech exhibition, the aim of the visit was to discuss innovative initiatives in advanced air mobility, the decarbonisation of airport activities and the deployment of the smart airport in the light of Groupe ADP's projects.

The delegation was welcomed by Edouard Marcus (DGO) and Jean Roche (ECP) at the Innovation Hub at Groupe ADP head office.  
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**On 25 May, Mr Paul Chan, Financial Secretary of the Government of Hong Kong, and Professor Sun Dong, Secretary for Innovation, Technology and Industry, together with their delegation, were welcomed by Groupe ADP teams.**

The visit, which focused on innovation, provided an opportunity for a wide range of discussions, including on Groupe ADP's Innovation Hub approach, the themes and challenges of new air mobility and our organisation in the run-up to the Paris 2024 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

The day before, the delegation visited the Groupe ADP stand at the VivaTech show to meet the teams from the Innovation department. They got the chance to learn about Volocity, the flying taxi developed by Volocopter, and meet the startups supported by the Group.

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**1 million tonnes transported at  
Delhi airport in India in  
2023-2024.**

**With over 70 carriers and 20  
specialised cargo companies,  
the airport holds 30% of the  
Indian market in air freight.**



Olivier Cornefert and Diana Barzola Da Costa worked on the design and installation of the materials library in the Belaïa building at Paris-Orly Airport.  
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# Hub NOUVELL'AIRe, serving environmental ambitions

**Hub NOUVELL'AIRe is the name of the materials library and the library set up in the offices of the Engineering & Capital Projects division at Paris-Orly Airport.**

Hub NOUVELL'AIRe is a tool to support ECP's

environmental approach and its ambitions in terms of sustainable construction and architectural creativity. From low-carbon concrete to new-generation photovoltaic panels and bio-sourced insulation, a selection of 160 high environmental quality materials and products are on display on the second floor of the Belaïa building at Paris-Orly Airport.

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*Hub NOUVELL'AIRe is helping to provide us with solutions to decarbonise our operations while maintaining architectural quality. Located at Belaïa, the materials library is open to all Group employees.*  
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**Olivier Cornefert (ECPTA)**  
HEAD OF THE MATERIALS LIBRARY  
AND AGENCY SUPERVISOR  
ARCHITECT.

# Business aviation aims to become a pioneer in decarbonising aviation

At the EBACE (European Business Aviation Convention & Exhibition), held in Geneva at the end of May, the stakeholders in the sector demonstrated their ambition and progress. The European Business Aviation Association (EBAA) presented a four-year plan to help companies reduce their CO2 emissions. By 2050, it is aiming for 100% sustainable aviation fuels (SAF), which is already paving the way for the first hybrid aircraft.

# Airbus and ZeroAvia have signed memorandums of understanding to develop hydrogen

The two aircraft manufacturers, along with the Canadian airports of Montreal, Toronto and Vancouver, and the US airports of Atlanta and Houston, want to gain a better understanding of supply and refuelling requirements at airports in order to develop the hydrogen aviation ecosystem. They will also work together on developing regulations and standards.

# Is a curfew on the cards at Schiphol airport?

The Dutch government has announced plans to reduce night flights at Amsterdam-Schiphol airport and ban the noisiest night flights by 2025, with the aim of reducing noise pollution.

This would cut the number of night flights from 32,000 to 27,000 in 2025, and the noisiest aircraft would be banned between 11 p.m. and 7 a.m. The government is considering a total or partial night-time closure of Schiphol from November 2026.



## EasyJet confirms it is ready for an unprecedented summer in terms of air traffic volume

**A brand new control centre, artificial intelligence and more staff.** After two summers of delays and cancellations, the British airline EasyJet says it has done everything in its power to guarantee the transport of its 300,000 daily passengers and manage what it hopes will be a "record" summer peak. Gill Baudot, Director of Network Control, says for example that the airline has doubled the number of staff at its "Integrated Control Centre" near Luton airport to the north of London, which is in a way its control tower.

## Artificial intelligence deployed at every level at Air France

**Air France has announced it is conducting more than 80 projects using generative artificial intelligence in all its business lines. The airline has developed "Talia",** an in-house ChatGPT for its employees to familiarise themselves with how this tool works, without the information entered being transmitted to third parties. From this summer, the airline will be testing "Pamelia", a connected tablet designed for Air France airport staff. Currently in the test phase, the solution is due to be rolled out at Paris-Charles de Gaulle Airport in 2025.



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