

# Press release



# Daher's Kodiak 100 aircraft goes "virtual" in the Microsoft Flight Simulator with humanitarian and other mission configurations

**Tarbes, France, January 6, 2022** – Daher's Kodiak 100 has been added to the Microsoft Flight Simulator, generating high praise from users for its authentic flight characteristics when "flying" this rugged single-engine turboprop aircraft in scenarios that include humanitarian missions to unprepared strips, reaching back-country destinations and serving high-altitude mountain airports.

Since its introduction last month by SimWorks Studios, the Kodiak 100 has become a favorite aircraft choice – initially overwhelming the development team's own website due to high demand. Created with Daher's involvement and incorporating the input of actual Kodiak pilots, the SimWorks Studios' simulator program comes in four different wheeled variants featuring 40 different liveries, authentic flight dynamics and high-quality systems modelling.

One of the variants symbolizes the operations of France's humanitarian organization, Aviation Sans Frontières (Aviation without Borders), which is to receive funding based on the add-ons sold via the following sites: simworksstudios.com, orbxdirect.com, SimMarket.com, Flightsim.com and getcontrail.com. This funding comes from money received by Daher through sales of the Kodiak 100 simulator application, which Daher then provides to Fondaher – the endowment fund initiated by the Daher family and supported by the company and its employees as part of the corporate social responsibility (CSR) policy.

"Our thanks go to Daher and the company's Fondaher endowment fund in helping make this a reality," explained Gérard Feldzer, the President of Aviation Sans Frontières. "With the Kodiak 100 in our colors, it will be possible for a wide audience to experience humanitarian aviation while operating from challenging African locations, performing rough field landings, airlifting essential equipment and delivering medical personnel to remote sites."

Richard Daher, the Fondaher endowment fund's president, noted that the Kodiak 100 simulator is a highly visible aspect of the partnership between Fondaher, Daher and Aviation Sans Frontières – which also includes "Les Ailes de l'Avenir" (Wings of the Future), a workshop program that provides vocational training for young people in difficulty, leading to the construction of a microlight aircraft.

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With its introduction on the Microsoft Flight Simulator, the Kodiak 100 joins Daher's TBM 930 very fast turboprop aircraft – which entered the virtual world with the simulator program's release in August 2020, becoming a popular choice among the gaming community.

"As in real life, our Kodiak and TBM aircraft family has developed a following of dedicated users in the world of flight simulation," concluded Nicolas Chabbert, the Senior Vice President of Daher's Aircraft Division. "We are pleased to be sharing the excitement of flying with an ever-wider number of aviation enthusiasts."

# About Fondaher - www.fondaher.org

Fondaher is an endowment fund initiated by the Daher family and supported by the Daher company with the participation of its employees to promote values passed down from generation to generation for 150 years.

Convinced that training and work are springboards towards freedom and personal development, Fondaher primarily supports initiatives of excellence in the field of social and solidarity economy.

# About Aviation sans frontières - www.asf-fr.org

A key player in the international humanitarian chain, Aviation Sans Frontières mobilizes its expertise, its aircraft and air transport capabilities to deliver emergency aid from France and its bases abroad, and transport or accompany people all over the world. A recognized public utility NGO (non-governmental organization), Aviation Sans Frontières has its own airplanes, enabling it to provide essential logistical support to more than 180 partner organizations in the rapid and efficient implementation of humanitarian aid. It is the first NGO to hold the same type of European Air Operator's Certificate (AOC) as certified airlines. Aviation Sans Frontières is a partner of the United Nations Economic and Social Council and the Directorate General for Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection of the European Commission.

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#### About Daher - www.daher.com

Daher is an aircraft manufacturer and an industry and service equipment supplier. Daher asserts its leadership in three main businesses: aircraft manufacturing, aerospace equipment and systems, logistics and supply chain services; and achieved a turnover of 1.1 billion euros in 2020. With the stability provided by its family ownership, Daher has been committed to innovation since its creation in 1863. Today, present in 13 countries, Daher is a leader in Industry 4.0, designing and developing value-added solutions for its industrial partners.

Daher also is on social networks:

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#### About Daher's aircraft product line – www.kodiak.aero / www.tbm.aero

Daher manufactures two families of single-engine turboprop airplanes: the Kodiak utility aircraft in Sandpoint, Idaho, USA, and the very fast pressurized TBM in Tarbes, France.

The Kodiak 100 Series III is an unpressurized 8-10-seat airplane equipped with Garmin's G1000 NXi avionics, capable of operating on uneven and unimproved runways, or on water in the amphibious version. Its unique combination of robust construction and remarkable 3,530 lb. useful load has resulted in many additional applications for the Kodiak, including special missions, medevac, as a skydiving platform and more.

Current TBM models in production are the TBM 910, equipped with Garmin's G1000 Nxi avionics system, controlled by a keypad; and the TBM 940, featuring Garmin's G3000 avionics with touchscreen

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controller, an autothrottle and the HomeSafe<sup>™</sup> emergency autoland system. Both models offer increased automation and superior performance – a maximum cruise speed of 330 kts. – and high efficiency with a 1,730-naut. mi. maximum range and a fuel consumption of 37 U.S. gallons per hour at economy cruise.

As of November 30, 2021, a total of 300 Kodiak and 1,060 TBM aircraft have been delivered to international owners and operators, with the global fleet accumulating some 2.2 million flight hours.



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