



## Press Release

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### **Parc Aviation appoints new Chief Executive**

Parc Aviation, part of the Oxford Aviation Academy group, has appointed Sean Butler as Chief Executive. He will provide strategic and operational leadership for Parc Aviation and its people to continue to drive the success of the business in the future.

Sean Butler has worked with Parc Aviation for more than 15 years. After graduating with a Degree in Accounting and Finance in 1991, Sean joined Aer Lingus where he worked in the airline's flight crew and technical operations divisions. From there he went on to join Parc Aviation's flight crew division in 1995. Sean's initial role was to provide operational support to key clients and to manage flight crew on assignment worldwide. In 2002, Sean was appointed to the role of Director of Sales & Marketing with responsibility for the generation of new business opportunities for the company's full portfolio of services.

Sean will take up his new role on May 1<sup>st</sup> 2010. Welcoming the appointment, Brian Simpson, OAA Group CEO commented "Sean has played a significant part in the success and growth of Parc Aviation. As a proven aviation industry professional, his experience and expertise will undoubtedly enable him to capably lead and develop the business going forward"

Oxford Aviation Academy (OAA) is the world's leading independent provider of pilot, cabin crew and maintenance training and aviation resourcing services. It is unique in its ability to offer the world's only fully integrated pilot supply chain. With locations in Beijing, Copenhagen, Dublin, Hong Kong, London (Gatwick), London (Heathrow), Manchester, Melbourne, Oslo, Oxford, Phoenix, Shannon, Stockholm and Tokyo, OAA provides a "Total Solution" tailored to meet the particular needs of customers.

OAA operates 49 simulators, has 7 Type Training Centres across Europe and Asia and can provide a full range of training courses or simulators on lease. OAA's Ab Initio pilot training schools are amongst the world's largest and have trained more than 23,000 professional pilots over the last 45 years. Parc Aviation, OAA's resourcing division, is the global market leader in providing aviation personnel on lease to airlines and aviation support organisations, currently providing more than 900 personnel contracted to 60 clients in 30 countries.

OAA is owned by STAR Capital Partners and General Electric Corporation.

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