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# FTS Xstream gets EASA STC award for A320 family

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FTS announced today its Xstream™ inflight WiFi streaming system has received European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) Supplemental Type Certification (STC) for A320 family of aircraft.

FTS Xstream™ hardware qualification on [Myanmar Airways International](#) aircraft was achieved following multiple trials aboard an A319 test aircraft.

"The certification validates the reliability and safety compliance of FTS onboard hardware in meeting stringent EASA standards and paves the way for the rollout of Xstream™ systems for global airlines," said a release today from FTS.

The Xstream™ was designed and manufactured in-house at FTS. The system features a 2-MCU embedded file server, two wireless access points that support the latest 802.11AC WiFi standard and a revolutionary 3G/4G cellular modem that takes up to 4 sim cards. Passengers can connect to the onboard wireless network through their mobile devices and enjoy streaming HD-quality video and audio entertainment, play single/multiplayer games, read latest news, view 2D/3D flight progress maps and indulge in shopping.

"I am proud of the team's achievement in attaining the EASA STC," said Rich Salter, Chief Technical Officer of FTS based in the California office. "Our software teams have also been hard at work to get the software platform ready for the commercial launch onboard, integrating ancillary revenue generating services and a payment processing gateway. By next year, the Xstream™ product family will be further boosted with the addition of Ku and Ka HTS satellite connectivity and In-seat Wireless Smart Display solutions as our customers demand a viable product upgrade path with smooth transitions".

FTS had previously announced launch airline customers in Asia and North America within the first year of the company's operation. FTS is also pursuing the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) STC on Boeing aircraft models, which is expected for award in September 2017.