

flydubai announces plans for US\$190 million MRO facility in Dubai South



Ghaith Al Ghaith, Chief Executive Officer at flydubai, and His Excellency Khalifa Al Zaffin, Executive Chairman of Dubai Aviation City Corporation and Dubai South

[flydubai](#) announced today at the Dubai Airshow that it is planning to build an MRO facility in Dubai South worth US\$190 million by 2026. The Dubai-based carrier signed an agreement the Mohammed bin Rashid Aerospace Hub (MBRAH) at a ceremony attended by His Excellency Khalifa Al Zaffin, Executive Chairman of Dubai Aviation City Corporation and Dubai South; Tahnoon Saif, CEO of MBRAH; and Ghaith Al Ghaith, CEO of flydubai.

Construction of the facility is set to begin next year.

“I am proud to announce the plans for flydubai’s state-of-the-art MRO facility in Dubai South,” said His Highness Sheikh Ahmed bin Saeed Al Maktoum, Chairman of flydubai. “This milestone reaffirms our commitment to operational excellence, right here in Dubai South’s dynamic ecosystem. This will bring flydubai greater control over its maintenance requirements as it continues to grow its fleet and capabilities with a firm focus on the future.”

H.E. Al Zaffin, said, “flydubai’s new facility in Dubai South reflects our commitment to enhancing the ecosystem that contributes to the growth and sustainability of the aviation industry. This partnership reaffirms Dubai’s position as a global aviation hub and reinforces our shared vision of providing world-class aviation services to our partners.”

The carrier already has a team of 455 engineers working in Line Maintenance, Technical Services, Materials and Workshops to ensure the safety of the growing fleet. flydubai intends to add 230 engineers to its workforce over the next 12 months to support the opening of the MRO facility by 2026.

“Dubai has emerged as a thriving aviation hub that fosters connectivity, innovation, growth and setting benchmarks for the global aviation industry,” said Al Ghaith. “The spirit of Dubai is in our DNA and we are proud to announce today the plans for our MRO facility which represents a new chapter in our journey. At flydubai, we continue to invest in our people and technologies and build solid foundations to enable further growth as part of our role in supporting Dubai’s economic and aviation vision.”

Mick Hills, Chief Operating Officer at flydubai also commented, “When it is up and running in 2026, the MRO facility on Dubai South will bring us significant reductions in operational costs. Having our own in-country MRO facility will ensure a quicker turnaround of our fleet maintenance while adhering to the highest quality standards. This increased level of control will result in reduced downtime as maintenance tasks can be efficiently planned and executed, minimizing any disruption to our flight schedules in the future and enhancing overall operational reliability.”

flydubai operates a young and efficient fleet of eighty 737 aircraft and is set to take delivery of more than 150 additional aircraft by 2030.

MBRAH is located and developed in Dubai South. It is home to maintenance centers and training and education campuses, contributing to the emirate’s growth as a leading aviation hub.