













Challenge

In bad weather conditions people cannot get rescued









Opportunity

Last generation helicopter units **are fully equipped** with flying capabilities in adverse weather conditions













Game Changer

Design **Highways in the Sky** an helicopter can **fly** in any weather conditions







Harmonize the implementation of rotorcraft PBN operations at European level by establishing coordination between Aviation Stakeholders:



Helicopter Operating rules for IFR/PBN



- **➤** Epidemic of accidents in VFR and (unintended) IMC
 - **▶** All helicopter operations
 - > CAT
 - ➤ Non-commercial
 - **≫** SPO





Safety Guidance Material



Helicopter point in space operations in controlled and uncontrolled airspace



Helicopter low level route operations in controlled and uncontrolled airspace







Successfull History





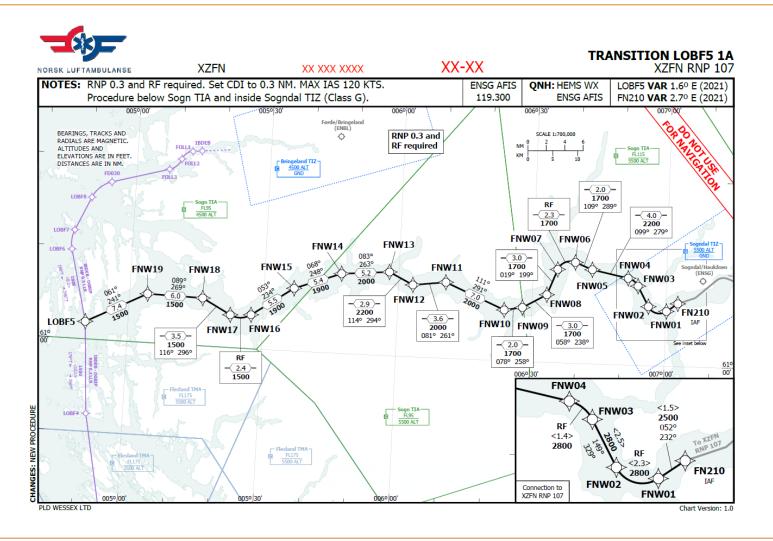






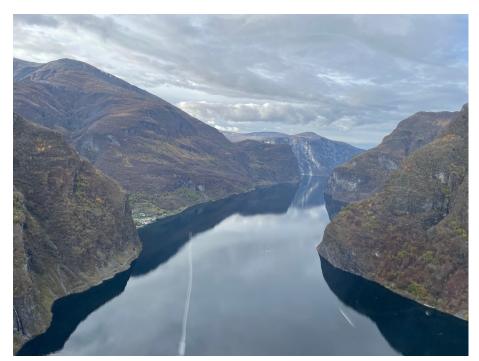


Longest ever transition





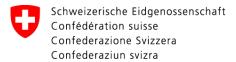
On-the-job







Successfull History



Extension du réseau national de routes aériennes utilisé par les hélicoptères

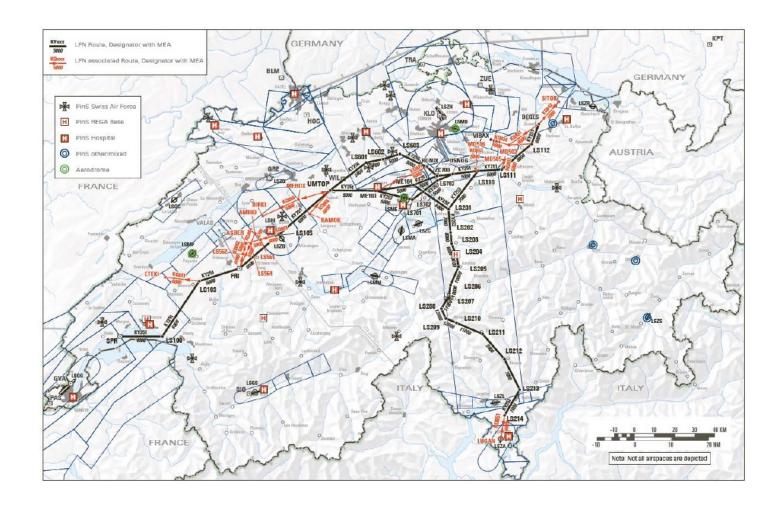


Berne, 03.08.2021 - La Confédération financera le développement du réseau suisse de routes aériennes permettant aux hélicoptères de mener des opérations de sauvetage et autres interventions même lorsque la météo est mauvaise. Ainsi en a décidé le Parlement en adoptant la motion Dittli. Par la même occasion, le Low Flight Network (LFN), actuellement géré par Skyguide et utilisé par la Garde aérienne suisse de sauvetage (Rega), se voit conférer le statut d'infrastructure aéronautique nationale critique. Le LFN sera régulièrement étendu et sera ouvert à d'autres entreprises de sauvetage aérien et aux forces de police, si tant est que leurs hélicoptères soient dûment équipés et que les équipages soient qualifiés.

Le Low Flight Network (LFN) est né d'une initiative conjointe de la Rega et des Forces aériennes. Il s'agissait de bâtir un réseau de routes aériennes aux instruments afin de permettre aux hélicoptères d'assurer des interventions importantes, telles que les opérations de sauvetage ou de ravitaillement et d'évacuation lors de catastrophes, quelles que soient les conditions météorologiques. L'Office fédéral de l'aviation civile (OFAC) et l'organe du contrôle de la circulation aérienne Skyguide ont été étroitement associés au projet dès 2015. L'OFAC a notamment coordonné le projet avec tous les acteurs impliqués et a créé le cadre général nécessaire.

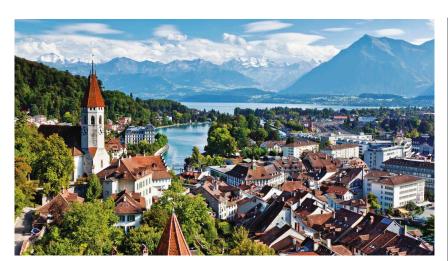


Swiss Low Level Network

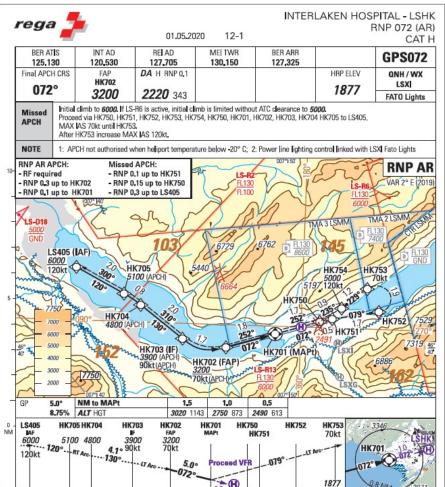




Curved Approaches (RNP-AR)





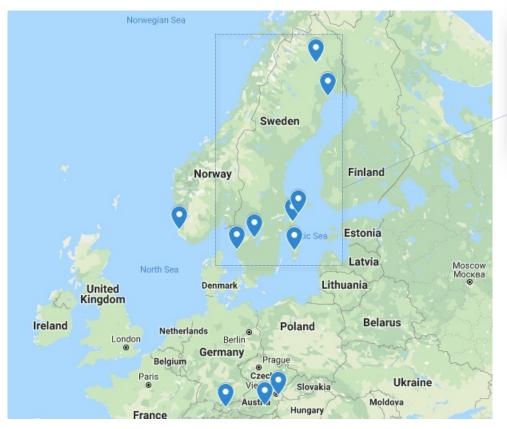






anytime - anywhere - any weather

Other implementation programmes





Scandinavian Air Ambulance



Fligth Validation Unit















Other implementation programmes







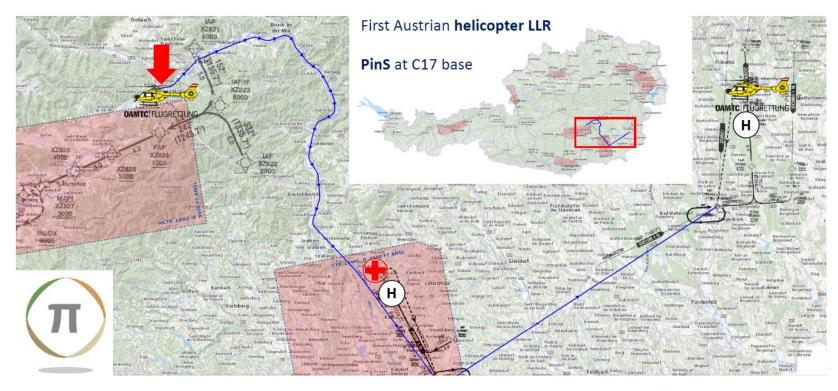








Low Level Route



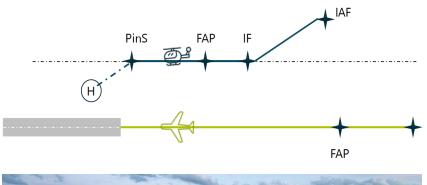






Simultaneous Non-Interfering

Validate the Simultaneous Non-Interfering (SNI) concept for helicopter IFR integration within the TMA of Vienna International airport







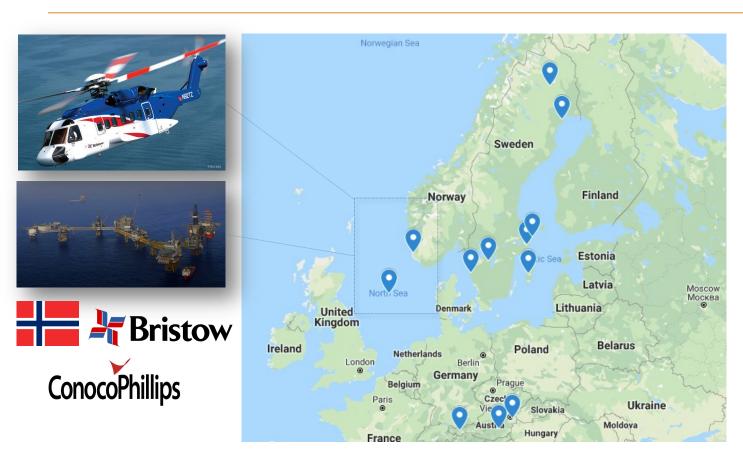






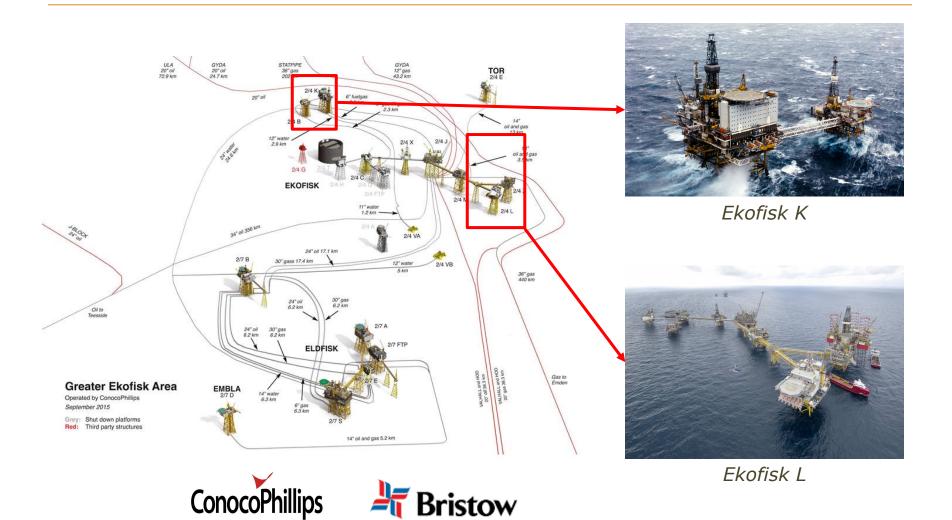


Other implementation programmes





PinS Off-shore





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Provides standard LOC/GS guidance

Integrated with helicopter AFCS and Avionics (FMS)

Establishes safe Missed Approach procedure

Weather radar used for verification

Better Situational Awareness (no change of controls, talkdown)

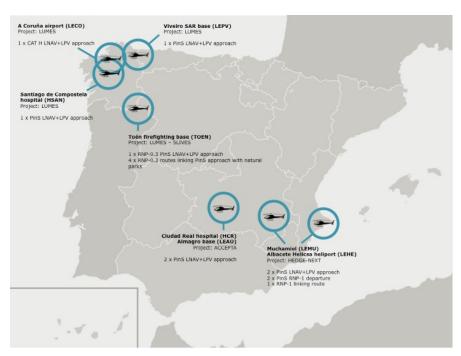
Good operational minimums

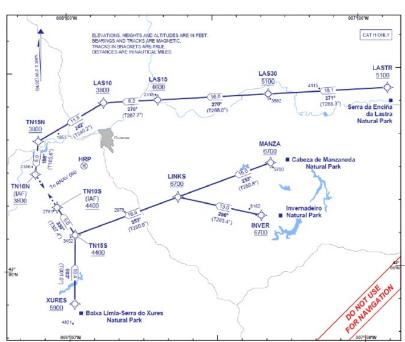


PinS « implementation » in Spain

Multiple R&D activities including PinS designs, flight demonstrations & validations

Mostly HEMS but also on Fire-Fighting





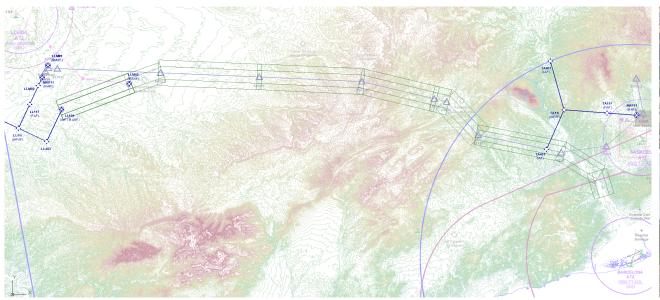




PinS « implementation » in Spain



PBN Helicopter Operational Implementation

















Conclusions



(1) Performance
Based Navigation is a
game changer for
rotorcraft operators



(2) FLAG group promotes harmonized practices at European level



(3) EU regulation evolving for special operations in **uncontrolled airspace** that will trigger others



(4) Sustainable **development** of PBN operations through adhoc solutions



(5) Present and future advanced concepts exploiting to the max helicopter capabilities



(6) PBN shall contribute to leverage VFR accidents providing higher safety levels





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