

Vietnam Airlines and Thales strengthen their partnership with the selection of AVANT IFE onboard the new Boeing 787-10 fleet

- Vietnam Airlines has chosen Thales AVANT IFE to equip their new Boeing 787-10 Dreamliner.
- The airline will be first to fly the B787-10 with Thales AVANT IFE in the Asia Pacific region.
- This agreement expands the existing partnership between Vietnam Airlines and Thales to equip the airline's A350 and B787-9 fleets with AVANT IFE and turn-key maintenance services.



Vietnam Airlines has chosen Thales to equip their new B787-10 Dreamliner aircraft with the state-of-the-art AVANT inflight entertainment system. Vietnam Airlines has grown to become a prestigious airline in the region thanks to the strength of its modern fleet and extensive network of routes. Vietnam Airlines flies to 50 destinations in 17 countries. The carrier is recognized as a 4-Star Airline for three consecutive years by the UK-based international air transport rating organization SKYTRAX. As a dynamic, modern international airline, Vietnam Airlines has focused on developing its fleet by choosing the most technologically advanced aircraft while continuously improving service quality to meet the increasing demand of their passengers. Thales is proud to support the ambitions of Vietnam Airlines as they aim to reach the 5-star status and become a major airline in Asia.

This agreement expands the existing partnership between Vietnam Airlines and Thales. The airline has previously chosen Thales AVANT IFE system for their A350-900 XWB and B787-9 aircraft. In collaboration with VAECO, Thales also provides turn-key maintenance services on these aircraft. Thales' turn-key maintenance program guarantees exceptional services across the airline's fleet, enabling Vietnam Airlines to focus on its core business activities.

AVANT features a highly customizable passenger experience with a robust selection of applications. With its sleek and lightweight design, Thales' high performing IFE solution provides the passengers of Vietnam Airlines an exceptional inflight experience and a vast choice of entertainment during their flight. The onboard entertainment services include a variety of television series, the most recent feature films, music, and games.

"Thales is proud to partner with Vietnam Airlines. This award further demonstrates Thales' commitment in supporting the airline's ambitions to provide the best-in-class onboard experience with our state-of-the-art AVANT IFE and aircraft maintenance services. We are confident that the quality, reliability and advanced technology of our solutions will deliver an exceptional inflight experience on Vietnam Airlines new Dreamliner".

Philippe Carette, CEO, Thales InFlyt Experience.

About Thales

The people we all rely on to make the world go round – they rely on Thales. Our customers come to us with big ambitions: to make life better, to keep us safer. Combining a unique diversity of expertise, talents and cultures, our architects design and deliver extraordinary high technology solutions. Solutions that make tomorrow possible, today. From the bottom of the oceans to the depth of space and cyberspace, we help our customers think smarter and act faster - mastering ever greater complexity and every decisive moment along the way. With 65,000 employees in 56 countries, Thales reported sales of €15.8 billion in 2017.

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