

# The Netherlands aeronautics innovation approach

Creation of a strategic Knowledge and Innovation Agenda in the Netherlands

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# **NL Agency**

- NL Agency Innovation / Aerospace (formerly NIVR)
  - under direct responsibility of the Minister of Economic Affairs, Agriculture and Innovation.
  - Is a professional and efficient executor of Dutch Government innovation and research policy.
  - Employees are civil servants, bound by governmental law
- Manages the national aeronautical programs:
  - Basic Research by research establishments and universities (civil R&D only)
  - Technology development by industry (civil and military aeronautics)
  - Launch aid credits for industry for product development (civil)
  - Represents the Netherlands in international fora (o.a. ACARE)





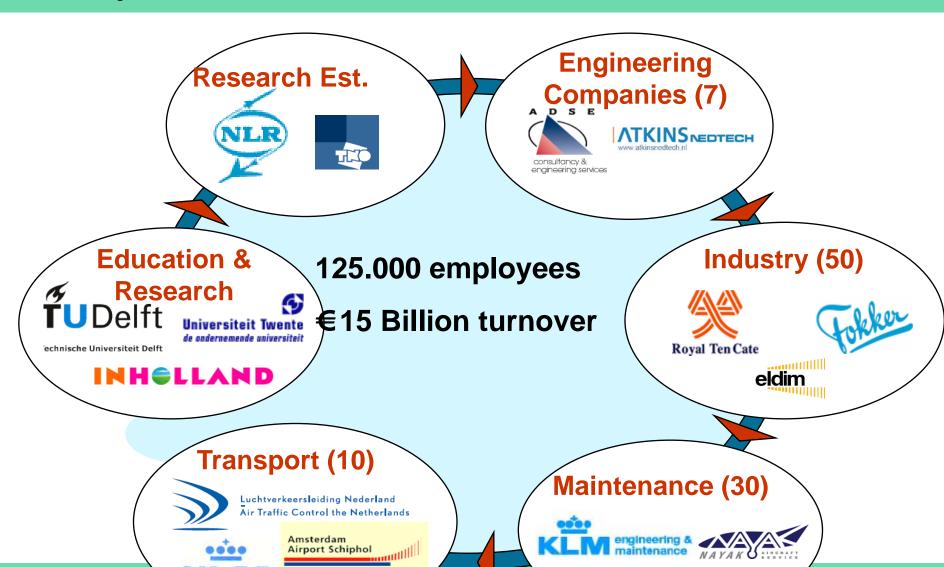
# **Brief overview of Dutch Aeronautics industry**

- The Netherlands has been involved in aviation from the early beginnings
- Up until 1996 Fokker played an important role in the Dutch aviation industry
- Dutch industry is now mainly a supplier of components worldwide
- ☐ In 2010 a restart of the Fokker 100 took place: NG Aircraft

# Netherlands AAT Landscape







» A Fokker Services

# **Dutch Innovations are** 'First class'











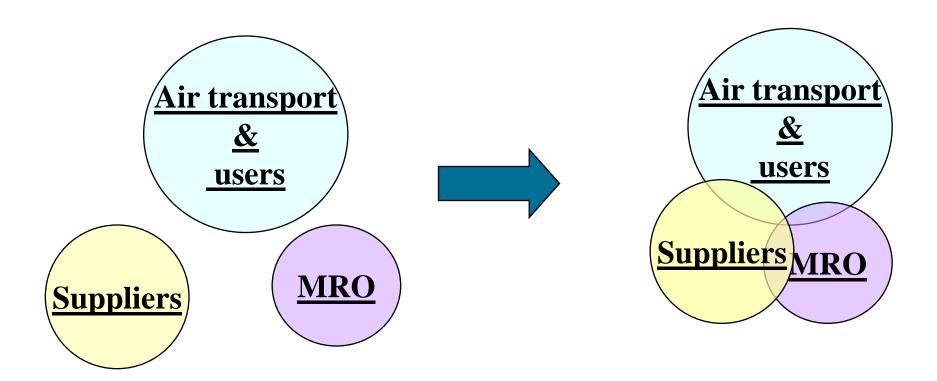
#### How it started

- The Minister of Transport, Public Works and Water Management, invited the Netherlands Aeronautics and Air Transport industry to develop a Knowledge and Innovation Agenda (KIA)
  - ■request also on behalf of the Ministers of Economic Affairs, for Housing, Spatial Planning and the Environment and the State Secretary for Defence.
- The Ministry of Economic Affairs has evaluated the current Aeronautical policy. This KIA is one of the inputs for future Aeronautical policy.
- The Ministry of Transport released a White Paper on Dutch Aviation in which a public-private partnership is requested. The KIA is the crystallized ambition of the AAT sector.
- The Ministry of Defense is looking for civil military cooperation
- ☐ Aim: create a sustainable and competitive Aeronautics and Air Transport industry





# **Organisation**







#### **Organising, Initiating and guiding**

#### SYNERGY

Aim: to improve the sector's ability to innovate, through optimum use, design and organisation of the knowledge infrastructure, knowledge and IPR, financial resources, regulations and legislation and cross-fertilisation with other sectors.

#### SUSTAINABLE

Aim: the Netherlands is consolidating its position as a trendsetter in the field of sustainable technologies and concepts, so that the aviation industry in the Netherlands can develop in a way that lies well within socially acceptable frameworks (the so-called 'license to operate').

#### SEAMLESS

Aim: to create seamless interconnections between all baggage, transit, cargo, maintenance and air traffic processes in a way that helps to make main port Schiphol a key hub with an international competitive edge when it comes to efficiency, quality and comfort.

#### SPIN-OFF

Aim: to create new jobs and new export value through the international marketing of developed technologies and concepts.

#### **Ambition 2020**

- Greater contribution to GDP
- Create new export value
- Optimum accessibility
- Greater economic spin-off
- Reduce environmental impact and noise disturbance
- To help make Schiphol a more peaceful, even safer place and to help with the provision of assistance.

#### **Ambition 2040**

To make Dutch air travel climate-neutral

Research

Develop

Market

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# Sustainability issues

- Sustainable air traffic
  - Alternative fuels
  - ■Weight savings in aircrafts and interiors
  - ■Fuel-efficient operations
  - ■Creation of a single European airspace
  - More efficient partitioning and a joint civil-military airspace management
- Sustainable aircraft
  - New materials and coatings
  - ■High tech systems
  - ■Intelligent design systems





## Sustainability issues

- Sustainable Maintenance
  - ■Life cycle management
  - ■New repair and inspection methods
  - Rapid diagnostics and logistics
- Sustainable Ground Infrastructure
  - Reducing energy consumption
  - Green zone
  - Deployment of sustainable sources





#### Seamless issues

- Seamless flow of passengers and baggage
  - Security
  - Accessibility
- Seamless flow of air cargo
  - Accessibility
  - ■Fast, secure and reliable air cargo processes
- Seamless flow of air traffic
  - Broadband data connections between control centers and aircraft
  - ■New cockpit and aircraft systems





# Synergy issues

- Designing the Knowledge Infrastructure
- Supporting a climate of innovation
  - Education
  - Adjusting administrative rules
  - Create a level playing field
- Synergy with other Innovative initiatives
  - ■Dutch innovation programs
  - **■**EU initiatives





#### **Current situation**

- KIA was handed over to Minister on September 7th 2009
- Fall of the Dutch government and economical crisis are reasons for delay
- A Steering Committee has been formed to implement the KIA
- Proposals for projects have been made late 2010





#### Results until now

- Cooperation between industrial parties is improved
- A mutual ambition has been formulated
- Cooperation between different ministries has started on AAT subjects

The public – private dialog has been started. All parties are willing, but the means are uncertain. Help from the government is more than €





## The new Governmental setting

- The New governmental policy focuses on Top Areas for Dutch Economy
- Nine overall sectors have been selected
  - > Aeronautics and MRO have been included under *High Tech*
  - Air Transport is linked to logistics
- Each Top Areas is now defining its Business Plan
- This will include an innovation strategy combining
  - National frameworks
  - Position towards a European support strategy







- Links will be established by the sector to the Top Area identified by the government
- KIA to used as an input for future business plans
- Three sub sectors have formulating their innovation needs
  - Aeronautics: manufacturing of structures and components
  - Aircraft sustainment (MRO)
  - Air Transport

Each sub sector lead by industrial champion and charged to involve

stakeholders

In June 2011 delivery of action plan