



## **THE FIRST FLIGHT COURSE BEGINS OF THE YEAR IN THE TLP**

The FC 2023-1 flight course will begin next Monday, February 13, and will end on Friday, March 3, with a duration of 3 weeks.

The total number of participants will amount to approximately 650 people, 40 of them being graduates of this flight course, including 31 pilots, 6 intelligence officers and 3 air traffic controllers.

The flights will take place from Monday to Friday in the afternoon, and will begin on Monday, February 20, since the first week is dedicated to academic activity and simulator flights (Synthetics).

The participating nations as Blue Air in this flight course will be Germany, Belgium, Denmark, France, Greece and the USA, with a total of 24 aircraft. Regarding the participation of the opposing side (Red Air), there will be a total of 8 aircraft, the participating nations being Germany, Denmark, Greece and the USA.

As support for carrying out the flight course, a NATO AWACS air control plane will be present together with the Command and Control means of the Spanish Air Force and Space Force during the missions.

It is also worth noting the participation of two Belgian instructors specialized in personnel rescue missions, as well as that of two tactical air control teams from Italy and the US. The German electronic warfare aircraft JAMKITE will also participate.

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As an anti-aircraft threat, the participation of real air defense systems of the Spanish Army and Navy is planned, with the NASAMS and MISTRAL systems. The participation of various threat simulation systems from the American company POLYGON is also planned, plus the real German ROLAND system, which will be deployed in different areas of the area of operation.

Regarding the intervention of other air resources, the participation in the missions of two Italian HH101 helicopters together with an extraction team and a C27 tactical transport aircraft, both from Italy, are expected. Likewise, during the flight period, a SAR helicopter will be available at the San Javier Air Base.

Finally, from the TLP facilities, its new flight simulator will be used, which allows pilots to train not only in the virtual environment, but also to interact with the aircraft in real missions through communication protocols.