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MEET THE COMPANIES FROM PUGLIA, ITALY

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### PUGLIA: THE AEROSPACE REGION

Puglia is a dynamic region in the southeast of Italy, steeped in history but as innovative as the Silicon Valley, where the endless beauty of the sea and rural landscapes has turned it into a top tourist destination and where the high quality of life represents an asset for local businesses, as well as for potential investors. Recognised as one of the most dynamic regions in the South-east of Italy, with over 324,800 active businesses registered in 2025 (Source: InfoCamere Movimprese) and an ever-increasing international standing, the region's attractiveness as a business location has become more and more tangible in recent years, boosted by regional incentives for innovation and business investments, aimed at supporting innovative start-ups and SMEs, as well as forward-looking MNEs, intent on expanding operations in Europe, at the heart of the Mediterranean.

This is especially the case in the aerospace sector where local companies have been involved in aeronautics since the 1930's. More recently, continuous investments in innovation, as well as in skills, have turned Puglia into a centre for excellence in aerospace, leading numerous international players, such as GE Avio and Leonardo, to set-up and expand operations in the region.

The aerospace industry in Puglia can rely on the presence of an efficient regional airport network, run by the airport management company Aeroporti di Puglia S.p.A. (AdP) which has been carrying out significant investments, creating a range of solutions and services for companies interested in locating

in or around the region's major airports.

The regional airport network includes the strategic industrial airport of Taranto-Grottaglie, boasting one of the longest runways in Europe (3.2 km), suitable for any type of modern aircraft, and has become a catalyst for investments by national and multinational aerospace industry players, such as Leonardo which set-up a state-of-the-art manufacturing facility adjacent to the airport, initially for the production of fuselage components of the Boeing Dreamliner 787 and, more recently, for the assembly of the Eurodrone.

In 2014, the Taranto-Grottaglie airport infrastructure was authorized by ENAC (Italian Civil Aviation Authority) as an integrated logistics platform for the research, development and testing of innovative aerospace solutions. Today, thanks to the commitment of DTA (Distretto Tecnologico Aerospaziale), in collaboration with the University of Bari, the University of Salento and the Polytechnic of Bari, the Grottaglie Airport Test Bed (GATB) is up and running, offering research and test facilities for UAS, innovative UTM services, as well as the design and experimentation of innovative air services deliverable through UAS.

Grottaglie Airport has also been designated by the Italian Government and ENAC as the site of the first Italian spaceport, due to become the point of departure and arrival for the future generation of space carriers which will be take-off horizontally. Thanks to this strategic infrastructure, Grottaglie is at the center of the development of the space economy and a prime candidate to become the European hub for suborbital flights, as well as a centre of excellence for research and innovation in advanced air mobility, earth observation and many other domains of the new space economy.



### **AEROSPACE IN PUGLIA**

The aerospace industry is one of the most strategic sectors within the regional economy and has acquired a leading position in the international market in recent years thanks to its ability to strike up positive business relations with key players, contractors and OEMs, some of whom have chosen to invest in in Puglia.

Puglia plays a leading role in the aerospace industry in Italy and boasts a significant industrial concentration, with approximately 50 specialized aerospace companies and more than 450 SMEs and start-ups operating in related industries, directly or indirectly within the aerospace supply chain, in various fields of R&D and manufacturing, from the production of aircraft components to space software and micro-satellites.

Today, there are numerous international players, such as GE Avio, Leonardo and Angel Group, operating in Puglia in diverse industrial specializations, making up the entire aerospace supply chain (design, construction, assembly and testing of aircraft engines, design and construction of aerostructures and light aircraft in carbon fibre, software design, microsatellites and propulsion systems, Earth observation and space data management systems).

The aerospace sector in Puglia is boosted by the presence of the technological aerospace cluster, DTA, a non-profit making consortium which brings together key industry players, universities, as well as public and private research centres active in Puglia, driving innovation and competitive growth.

### MAIN INDUSTRY SPECIALISATIONS

- Design, construction and assembly of aircraft, engines and components
- Design, production and testing of aerostructures in carbon fibre composite materials, metals and ceramics
- Microsatellites, Propulsion systems for space stations, Space software
- Earth observation and space data management systems
- Aircraft interiors
- Technologies and systems for UAV test trials and development
- MRO and engineering services
- Additive manufacturing technologies
- R&D centre for additive repairs
- Technologies for sensors and mechanical systems

### THE SECTOR IN PUGLIA

Export 2024	€ 326 million*
Major export destinations	USA, UK, France, Japan, China*
International key players	GE Avio Aero, Leonardo Group, Angel Group



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- AEROPORTI DI PUGLIA
- PUGLIA SVILUPPO
- DTA DISTRETTO TECNOLOGICO AEROSPAZIALE

  DTA is accompanying the following Apulian

  companies to Paris Air Show 2025:
  - ALIDAUNIA
  - GIANNUZZI
  - MANTA GROUP
  - SALENTEC



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### **COMPANY PROFILE**

AEROPORTI DI PUGLIA S.p.A. (ADP) is the management company of the regional airport network (Bari, Brindisi, Foggia and Grottaglie), which represents a strategic asset for regional economic development. Within the regional airport network, ADP manages the strategic industrial airport of Taranto-Grottaglie which has been qualified as an airport testbed for remotely piloted aircraft systems and designated by the Italian Ministry of Transport as the only Spaceport in Italy, suitable for handling suborbital flights, avio launches, return-to-base and other space operations. Grottaglie Airport is also qualified to operate as an integrated logistics platform for industrial research, development and testing of aeronautical products, services and procedures, Grottaglie Airport falls within the Special Economic Zone (ZES Mezzogiorno), which offers favourable conditions for the setting up of new businesses thanks to a series of

tax incentives and fast-track procedures for investments by Italian and foreign companies in the SEZ area.

In addition, based on the Grottaglie Airport Development Plan 2030, ADP is carrying out a series of infrastructure investments which will generate interesting investment opportunities for key industry players, SMEs and innovative start-ups who want to be located in or around a strategic airport infrastructure. With the support of scientific (University, Polytechnic), public (Puglia Region, Puglia Sviluppo, ARTI - Regional Agency for Technology and Innovation) and private partners, Grottaglie Airport is destined to become an important hub for the aerospace industry, strengthening Puglia and Italy's role in the new space economy.







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**PUGLIA SVILUPPO S.p.A.** is the regional government's public finance company that contributes to the implementation of policies and programmes supporting regional economic development.

The company operates as an intermediary organisation, managing funding and incentive schemes for business innovation and investments in Puglia, as well as financial instruments, enabling access to credit and innovative finance for business growth. Through promoting regional economic development, Puglia Sviluppo strives to enhance business location opportunities and attract investments to Puglia, providing support to start-ups and investors, guiding them step-by-step through the investment process.

Puglia Sviluppo manages a wide range of incentive initiatives and packages, tailored to meet the needs of business start-ups, S.M.E.'s as well as large multinational

enterprises, which, based on the type and size of proposed investments, typically offer a combination of financial aid and soft loans, helping to significantly reduce the cost of new business investments. In addition to regional incentive schemes, based on the Special Economic Zone regime which operates across the region, companies setting up in Puglia can also benefit from a series of tax incentives made available by the Italian government, including tax credits on R&D investments, tax relief on social security contributions and employment bonuses which help reduce labour costs.

Puglia Sviluppo is part of the European EBN Innovation Network and offers startups and innovative companies access to two incubators, based at the company's locations in Modugno (BA) and Casarano (LE).



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### **COMPANY PROFILE**

Cluster) is a nonprofit consortium, which brings together MNEs and regional SMEs, as well as public and private research organizations, specialized in various technology domains of aerospace. The mission of DTA is to boost innovation and increase the competitiveness of the regional aerospace value chain. Through the scientific and technological excellence assured by its members, DTA enhances the competitiveness of the local economy.

DTA proposes and implements research, training and innovation projects for: the development of key technologies; the creation of new professional figures; the construction of infrastructures at the service of research and innovation. DTA adopts a systematic approach that allows to reach ever more ambitious objectives at national and international level.

DTA works with aerospace companies, universities and research centres for technological innovation, competitive and sustainable sector growth, as well as the development and consolidation of new business ventures.













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### **COMPANY PROFILE**

Founded in 1976, **Alidaunia** operates in different areas of aviation business.

Is the only European company operating line scheduled flight with helicopters, without any interruption from 1986.

We have 50 years of experience during which we have constantly enhanced our technical and operational capabilities obtaining IS-BAO (International Standard Business Aircraft Operations) international certification complying with safety standards set by the International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO).

Alidaunia is certified according:

- EASA PART 145 IT.145.0101 and ENAC IT.CAMO.0063
- Turkish DGCA SHY 145: TR.145.F.0048
- Qatar 145 QCAA/FAMO/294 and QCAA OT/110
- UK PART 145: UK.145.01495
- FAA PART 43: UUDY834D
- EMAR 145: AER(EP) P-145 No. 43

- ANAC Cert. n° 002/DSV/ANAC/2022
- AAGE Cert, n° EOG.TO.00122
- ENAC.UAS-RE.077
- Meteorological Services Provider (MET) IT-ATM/ANS-018

### MAIN PRODUCTS AND SERVICES OFFERED

- Worldwide maintenance being Excellent Service Centre for Leonardo HD and Designated Maintenance Facility for P&W
- Designing, building and managing helipads and heliport networks via remote control through SAIMS - Stand Alone



Integrated Monitoring System

- Telecommunication Technologies and integrated data transimission from aircraft to ground and viceversa
- Supporting in the implementation and validation of Low level IFR for helicopters with RNP 0.3 (H)
- Designing, building and managing fuel storage facilities for Avio JetA1 and AVGAS 100LL fuel
- EASA AOC for both RW and FW
- EASA approved POA
- EASA Approved Training Organization and TEA examination Centre



### OPPORTUNITIES FOR COLLABORATION

**Proposed:** Know-how; Services; R&D partnership; Joint research programmes **Requested:** Commercial representation for SAIMS; Know-how; R&D partnership; Joint research programmes





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### **COMPANY PROFILE**

**Giannuzzi** is a designer and manufacturer of aircraft interiors, mainly but not limited to helicopters, general aviation and business jets.

Our main products are:

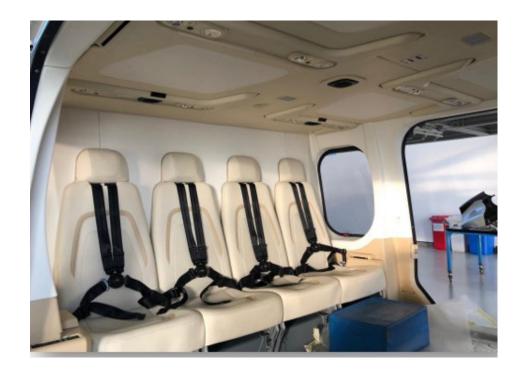
- Soft cabin liners for military and law enforcement aircrafts
- Hard panels made from thermoplastic materials with outstanding soundproofing and weight performance and very competitive price
- Seat upholstery designed with a typical Italian style and manufactured by experienced artisans
- Sea Tray, our floor protection for all aircrafts involved in SAR, Offshore and EMS operations Giannuzzi is a POA and DOA approved organization by EASA

# MAIN PRODUCTS AND SERVICES OFFERED

- Civil aeronautics: Interiors, paneling, seat upholstery, floor protections
- Military aeronautics: Interiors, paneling, seat upholstery, floor protections









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### **COMPANY PROFILE**

Manta Group is an Italian SME that focuses on the design, production and assembly of structural and non-structural aerostructures components. We have over 30 years of experience, performing highly skilled activities such as design, industrialization and manufacturing of composite material parts through bonding, numerical control (CNC) machining, NDT controls, painting, dimensional controls and tooling construction and assembly. Manta Group is: the only company that provides protective treatments for overseas transportation on engines produced by FPT Foggia; the

the only company that provides protective treatments for overseas transportation on engines produced by FPT Foggia; the exclusive supplier of key components for civil helicopters (e.g.AW139, AW169, AW189, AW109, AW119, AW249) the only company worldwide that assembles Inboard and Outboard Elevators, Rudder and Inboard Ailerons of the Boeing 767 and KC-46 Tanker programs

### MAIN PRODUCTS AND SERVICES OFFERED

- Engineering
- Composites
- Assembly
- Cnc/Ndt
- Painting









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Salentec develops and produces advanced technical ceramics for aerospace. Salentec has acquired over the years an absolute excellence for the production process for ceramic injection molding (CIM) metal injection moldig (MIM). Technical ceramics excel in applications that require durability, abrasion resistance and extreme hardness. The company is also involved in jewellery, medical, aerospace and aeronautical application. Salentec also produces parts, prototype or small series made by Oxide Ceramic Matrix Composite (CMC). Customised component can be produced using PICOM patented process. The company also develops and produces techno polymer for the aesospace medical and pharmaceutical sectors (pooliolefin, polycarbonate peek). Salentec is the only Italian company to produce ceramic cores for lost wax precision casting processes in the aerospace sector for the production of turbine stator and rotor blades in equiaxed, directional or monocrystalline alloy. The company conducts research projects under contract, develops and transfers technological innovations in products and processes and offers analytical and technical services.

# MAIN PRODUCTS AND SERVICES OFFERED

- Engineering
- Composites
- Technical Ceramics
- Rapid prototyping
- R&D



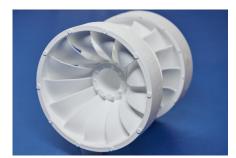
# OPPORTUNITIES FOR COLLABORATION

**Proposed**: Sub-contracting; Know-how; Services; R&D partnership; Joint research programmes

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