

# METIS demonstrates benefits of EGNOS in Civil Aviation

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The Euro-Med GNSS project named **METIS** has started its activities for the demonstrations of EGNOS benefits in the Civil Aviation domain, to be performed in the period **October- November 2009**.

A first demonstration is aimed at proving the use of EGNOS for the monitoring of moving assets in the airport of **Casablanca** (Morocco). **Airport service fleet** equipped with an EGNOS-enabled receiver is tracked from a control centre through a local wireless link.

A second demonstration is aimed at performing flight trials consisting of EGNOS Approach with Vertical Guidance (APV) operations in the airports of **Perugia** (Italy) and **Çanakkale** (Turkey). An aircraft is equipped with a GNSS/EGNOS navigation platform enabling to run experimental EGNOS APV procedures specifically designed for the two airports.

The result of the demonstrations will be presented to the Civil Aviation community of the ten MEDA countries, during a **workshop in Istanbul** (Turkey) to be held in November 2009.



**METIS final event will be held in Tunis (Tunisia) on the 7th of December 2009.**

**The event will present the project main results, impacts and future exploitations.**

**The program will be available on the project Web Site in September 2009.**

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