

SABCA MAROC HOSTS THE BELGIAN ECONOMIC MISSION PRESIDED BY
HRH PRINCESS ASTRID OF BELGIUM,
REPRESENTATIVE OF HIS MAJESTY THE KING

CASABLANCA, 26 November 2018. As part of the Belgian Economic Mission to Morocco, the SABCA Group is honoured to receive a visit from Her Royal Highness Princess Astrid of Belgium, Representative of His Majesty the King, at its SABCA site in Casablanca.



As it prepares to celebrate one hundred years of existence, the SABCA group, a major player in the aeronautical and aerospace industries, was given the opportunity to showcase the knowledge and expertise on display at SABCA's Casablanca site on the occasion of a visit from Her Royal Highness Princess Astrid of Belgium.

The Belgian Economic Mission to Morocco enables the creation of stronger ties between Belgian and Moroccan businesses, and was the occasion for the group to officially inaugurate its Moroccan site in Casablanca under its new name: SABCA Maroc. During the inauguration, the SABCA group signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with SABENA Aerospace. This agreement lays the groundwork for a partnership with SABENA on MRO&U (Maintenance, Repair, Overhaul, and Upgrade) operations on military aircraft in Morocco.

For the State Secretary for Foreign Trade, **Cécile Jodogne**, representing the Brussels-Capital Region during this mission, SABCA's expertise in aeronautics, supported by its Moroccan plant, clearly allows Morocco and Belgium to position themselves together economically and strategically on the African continent in this sector.

"This example reinforces my belief that there is a huge potential for mutually beneficial economic collaboration for our two countries. This is as more relevant for Brussels, as we have made the development of our exports to Africa one of the priorities of our foreign trade policy", Cécile Jodogne adds.

The Activities of the Casablanca Plant

SABCA Maroc's activities began in Spring 2012, with training for plant operators in partnership with the Institut des Métiers de l'Aéronautique (IMA). In November 2012, SABCA Maroc delivered its first structural components for Airbus aircraft, followed, in June 2013, by its first sub-assemblies for Dassault Falcon jets.

Through its modern production facilities and EN 9100 quality certification, all paired with renowned expertise in the fields of riveting, sealing, and painting, SABCA Maroc has the ability to meet the demands of the main market players.



About SABCA

The SABCA Group, made up of SABCA (Société Anonyme Belge de Constructions Aéronautiques) and its subsidiaries SABCA Limburg and SABCA Maroc, conducts operations from the three Belgian regions (Brussels-Capital Region, Charleroi in Wallonia, and Lummen in Flanders), as well as from Casablanca, Morocco. Today, it demonstrates expertise that is as rich as it is varied, built over its 98+ years of experience in designing, manufacturing, maintaining, and updating large and complex elements for aircraft and space launchers. Its customers and partners belong to the elite of the aerospace world and are spread worldwide. SABCA offers a full range of services to the civil and military aviation markets and recently in the UAS market for platform design and manufacturing, ground- and flight testing, UAS qualification and certification.

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