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Luxembourg Defence Open Air Days: The Luxembourg Defence invites to discover its aircraft fleet



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Save the Date

On the weekend of 21 and 22 September 2024, from 10am to 5pm, the Directorate of Defence and the Luxembourg Armed Forces invite the public to discover Luxembourg's air component during the Luxembourg Defence Open Air Days at Luxembourg-Findel Airport.

Programme

The following aircraft will be on display:

- Airbus A400M - a transport aircraft belonging to the Belgian-Luxembourg binational fleet
- Airbus A330 Multi-Role Tanker Transport (MRTT) - strategic transport, air-to-air refuelling and medical evacuation aircraft of the Multinational MRTT Fleet (MMF), composed of six participating nations (Belgium, the Czech Republic, Germany, Norway, the Netherlands and Luxembourg)
- Lockheed F-16 - Fighter aircraft of the Belgian Air Component for aerial protection of BeNeLux
- Beechcraft BE350 ISR - maritime reconnaissance and surveillance aircraft, contracted with DEA Aviation and currently operating as part of the IRINI mission, securing the Mediterranean under European Union mandate
- Airbus H145M - light multi-role helicopter of the Luxembourg Army, equipped and made available to the Grand Ducal Police for police surveillance and search missions
- Insitu Integrator - SRTUAS (Short Range Tactical Unmanned Aerial Systems) tactical reconnaissance and surveillance drone of the Luxembourg Army
- SIAI-Marchetti SF260 trainer - Belgian Air Component aircraft used for training Luxembourg and Belgian pilots
- Learjet 45 - from Luxembourg Air Rescue, contracted by the Directorate of Defence for medical evacuation missions
- Piper L-18C - historic aircraft used by the Luxembourg Armed Forces between 1957 and 1967 for observation missions and mail delivery flights

Experts and military personnel operating these various aircraft will be on site to answer technical or practical questions from the public. There will also be experts on site who can provide information about possible careers and training programmes in the aviation sector.

Although the Luxembourg Army had three light surveillance and observation aircraft at its disposal in the early 1960s, it is historically an army specialised in the field of reconnaissance. However, to meet national and international (EU, NATO) needs, the Luxembourg Defence has developed new air



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capabilities in recent years. Due to the relatively small size of the country, the specific expertise required in the military air domain and for reasons of efficiency, this development has often been done in close cooperation with trusted international partners or in the scope of multinational programmes. Thus, the Defence today has access to a wide range of aircraft, some of which are stationed abroad for operational reasons.

Practical details

Registration is mandatory and the registration link will be publicly available from 2 September 2024!

The event will be organised in a restricted area of Luxembourg-Findel airport. This area is only accessible by a shuttle bus, which will run continuously between the "Parking DuPont de Nemours" and the event venue.

The number of people allowed on the site is limited. It is therefore necessary to indicate a time slot when registering. Access to the site and the shuttle bus is only possible during this time slot. All persons are therefore requested to arrive at the designated parking area on time.

Access to Parking DuPont de Nemours:

Rue Général Patton, 5326 Contern

[By car \(Google Maps\)](#)

Public transport: Train station Sandweiler-Contern or bus stop Contern-Weiergewann on mobilitat.lu