EWADE – European Workshop on Aircraft Design and Education Research and Technology in Aircraft Design – The Role of Italian Industry

> PIAGGIO AERO INDUSTRIES The Strength of Experience and Innovation A. Sollo May 25th, 2011

# PIAGGIO is the oldest aircraft manufacturer still in activity today



Founded in 1884 as ship interiors and furniture manufacturer





Aviation activities started in 1915; more than 50 aircraft types designed and manufactured since then

#### Historical background





*In addition to Airplanes, PIAGGIO* was also a pioneer in design and experimentation of rotorcraft, well before Sikorsky's first flights 33% Italian Investors 33% UAE Goverment Agency MUBADALA 33% TATA Sons Workforce: 1,458 (end 2010) - Engineering 165 people Piaggio Aero Industries **Corporate Headquarters Engineering &** Gov.t Sales Manufacturing Aircraft Assembly & Service Rome **Finale Liqure** Genoa Customer Support Centre Pratica Di Mare (Rome) Engineering R&D **Center Naples Piaggio America INC** EWADE NAPLES May 25th, 2011 A.Sollo

**Piaggio Aero Industries:** Founded in Nov. 1998 by taking over assets and activities of former I.A.M. Rinaldo Piaggio S.p.A.



Shareholders



# Piaggio Aero's Core Activity



Aircraft manufacturing



Aero-engines MRO

Aircraft maintenance











#### P180 – AN UNCONVENTIONAL OUTSTANDING JETPROP AIRCRAFT





#### P180 – AN UNCONVENTIONAL OUTSTANDING JETPROP AIRCRAFT

Design concept requirements of P.180 have been developed in 70's, during Global Energetic Crisis.

An unconventional design was felt to be the only viable solution for a very demanding challenge:



DEFINE AN AIRPLANE WITH JET SPEEDBUTWITHTURBOPROPFUELCONSUMPTION





#### P180 – AN UNCONVENTIONAL OUTSTANDING JETPROP AIRCRAFT

#### Advanced Aerodynamic

Each component of the P.180 was shaped to slice through the air smoothly.

A single, uninterrupted aerodynamic curve sweeps from the nose to its tail – decreasing drag and improving laminar flow.

This shape, is supported by Three Lifting Surfaces which are the keys of the unparalleled efficiency of the P.180.

#### The Pushing Propeller Configuration

an obliged choice to keep laminar the aerodynamic flow over the wing



#### WHY 3LS CONCEPT?



#### Can trim aircraft with minimum drag.



**P180 – STRENGHT:** EFFICIENCY



# P180 CONFIGURATION ALLOW TO SAVE ABOUT 12% IN TOTAL DRAG

FWD.WING	+7 %
MAIN WING REDUCTION	- 6 %
MID.WING + FUSELAGE SHAPE	- 3 %
TRIM DRAG	- 2 %
LAMINAR FLOW	- 8 %



-12 %

# P180 Avanti Development WT Models









#### P180 Avanti WT Model





### P.180 Avanti - Program's Highlights

4,600 hours of wind tunnel testing1,500 hours of flight testingIcing tests at Edwards Air Force Base

First Flight : FAA Certification : September 1986 April 1990

# P.180 Avanti - Program's Highlights **Transonic Wind Tunnel Testing** NLF Wing testing RUN 33

# P.180 Avanti - Program's Highlightsee Flutter Wind Tunnel Model





## P.180 Avanti Certification

**FAA (FAR 23)** 

DOT

DGCA

DGCA



- Transport category including day, night, VFR, IFR operations
  - Europe EASA (CS-23)
  - U.S.A.
  - Canada
  - India
  - Indonesia
  - ....and many other countries
- Flight Into Known Icing conditions
- RVSM operation requirements
- > CAT. II Approach
- Steep approach operations
- > P-RNAV



#### **Cabin specification**

#### Avanti

#### Seating Capacity Maximum Seating Capacity 9 + 2 crew Standard VIP Version 7 + 2 crew

#### Pressurization

Differential

S.L. Cabin up to

Cabin altitude at 41,000 ft

9.0 psi 0.62 bar
24,000 ft 7,315 m
6,600 ft 2,012 m

#### Powerplant



*Engines* Manufacturer Model Power Each

Power Loading TBO

*Propellers* Manufacturer Model Diameter Type Pratt & Whitney of Canada PT6A-66B 850 SHP 634 kW (flat rated from 1630 thermodynamic HP) 6.79 Ib/SHP 3.08 kg/SHP 3600 hours

PIAGGIO

AER

HARTZELL HC-E5N 85 in 2159 mm 5-blade, constant speed, fully feathering, hydraulically controlled

IARTZEL

A.Sollo

#### Performance <u>Cruise Performance</u>



Maximum Speed	402 KTAS	745 km/h
Cruise Speed at Maxi	mum Cruise Power:	
At 31000 ft	400 KTAS	741 km/h
At 35000 ft	386 KTAS	715 km/h
At 39000 ft	357 KTAS	661 km/h

IFR Maximum Cruise Range at Maximum Range PowerAt 40000 ft1470 nm2722 kmIFR Maximum Cruise Range at Maximum Cruise PowerAt 40000 ft1420 nm2630km

#### Range From Wichita (ICT), KS



#### **Mission conditions:**

- 1 pilot + 5 passengers
- ISA Zero wind
- NBAA fuel reserve
- Includes taxi, climb, cruise & descent

_	CRUISE	FUEL	FL
	High speed	800 lb	310
	High speed	1,530 lb	310
	High speed	2,075 lb	350
	Long range	2,200 lb	400



PIAGGIO AERO

## Range From Rome (CIA), IT PLAGGIO



#### **Mission conditions:**

- 1 pilot + 5 passengers
- ISA Zero wind
- NBAA fuel reserve
- Includes taxi, climb, cruise & descent

CRUISE	FUEL	FL
 High speed	800 lb	310
 High speed	1,530 lb	310
 High speed	2,075 lb	350
Long range	2,200 lb	400



### Take-off, Landing, Climb Performance





Take-off Distance over 50 ft obstacle(S.L., ISA)3262 ft994 m

Landing Distance over 50 ft obstacle (S.L., ISA, no reverse) 3282 ft 1000 m

Rate of Climb (S.L., ISA)Both Engine 2770 ft/min844 m/minOne Engine670 ft/min204 m/min

Service Ceiling Both Engines 39400 ft 12009 m One Engine 23800 ft 7254 m (T.O. @ MTOW of 11550 lb)



#### Speed Comparison





Source: B/CA 2010

A.Sollo

# Flight Time - 600 nm trip PLAGGOOR Premier CJ3 CJ2+ P.180 Avar



A.S. Ource: B/CA 2010

# Fuel Consumption - 600 nm trip PLAGGIO



Source: B/CA 2010

#### **DOC Comparison**





Source: B/CA 2010

# P180 – STRENGHT: JET LIKE SPEED



#### P180 BETWEEN B200 AND CJ2+

The P180 Avanti is comparable to a Jet rather than a turboprop and offers the fuel consumption economy of a turboprop!



**B200** 





CJ2 +

**P180** 

# P180 – STRENGHT: JET LIKE SPEED

**Typical Mission** 



28

	600 Nm Mission (4pax)		
	<b>B</b> 200	P180	CJ2+
Fligh time [h.min]	2.13	1.44	1.35
Fuel Used [lb]	1327	1092	1458
Average SR [nm/lb]	0,452	0,549	0,412
Cruise altitude [ft/100]	290	350	410
Est. Cruise speed [KTS]	279	356	390

#### FUEL SAVING vs Jet PER YEAR ON CURRENT P180 FLEET ~ 12,000 TONS

(Calculated over 180 a/c fleet on 500 F/H per year)

#### **P180 – STRENGHT:** COMFORT



The P.180 offers a cabin with spaciousness and comfort that can be found only in aircraft costing up to twice as much.

The cabin is over 6 feet wide and 5 feet 8 inches tall. That's over a foot wider and taller than the best-selling business jet and provides P.180 passengers with ample room to stand up and move around freely.

Besides, the pusher engines direct sound toward the tail of the aircraft, leaving the P180's cabin virtually free of power plant noise.

#### Jet-like Cabin Comfort

<u>.8</u>1

1.75 m

(68.9 in)

1/2

#### Cabin Comparison





PIAGGIO AERO





# P180: a continuous design and product improvement







000

0

ProLine 21

-

Exten



12

0

-

No. 3 10" x 8" LC displays Flight Management System FMS-3000 Global Positioning System GPS-4000A Attitude Heading Reference System Wx Radar w/ Turbulence Detection

IFIS Flight Information System RVSM approved Cat II approach capability AirCell SATCOM

SI, TAWS-B

Avanti

000

1 0:51







#### **New Cabin Interiors**







## P.180 Special Missions



11

#### P180 – Special Mission





#### Maritime Patrol Version Study Proposal for Italian Coast Guard

#### P180 AVANTI II MPA MISSION SENSORS & EQUIPMENT







## FLIR System for Italian Navy







MPRD 134

BARCO

B B-0

00



#### Special Missions

Avanti

## **Flight Inspection**

#### P180 Avanti II Flight Inspection



Automatic Flight Inspection System





#### P180 Avanti II Flight Inspection





The new **AVANTI** /// will embody additional features for further product and performance improvement:

Additional fuel tank for extended range
 New Airconditioning System for passenger comfort
 improvement
 New Steering

 $\odot$  New low noise propellers and exhaust



#### P180 – AVANTI III – New Propeller











## THANKS FOR YOUR ATTENTION