



KIX to test mobile eGPU to provide on-the-ground aircraft with cleaner energy

Kansai Airports announce today that for the first time in Japan, a trial operation of electrical ground power unit (eGPU) will start at Terminal 2 of Kansai International Airport (KIX) on March 27, 2020. The initiative is run in partnership with AGP COPORATION, TAMAGAWA AERO SYSTEMS CO., LTD. and Peach Aviation Limited.

At Terminal 1, fixed GPU provide electrical power to parked aircraft through underground cables; supplied power is used for aircraft electrical systems while aircraft engines are turned off. At Terminal 2, no fixed GPU are installed, and thus power is either produced onboard by the aircraft's auxiliary power unit (APU) or delivered from the ground by a portable diesel-powered GPU.

The eGPU trial is part of Kansai Airports' ongoing quest to achieve zero emissions airport. The battery-powered equipment to be tested reduces noise pollution of engines while drastically cutting CO₂ emissions by 97% compared with the APU and 90% with the diesel-powered GPU.

Focusing on building a greener environment, Kansai Airports remains committed to pushing forward initiatives that will lower the environmental impact of its 3 airports by working together with its partners.



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[Trial outline]

Trial period: March 27 to July 31, 2020

Location: Terminal 2, KIX

Partners: AGP COPORATION, TAMAGAWA AERO SYSTEMS CO., LTD., Peach Aviation Ltd.

Purpose: Run a trial of battery-powered eGPU as a possible zero-emissions alternative to conventional power supply to parked aircrafts.

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Kansai Airports was established by a consortium made up of VINCI Airports and ORIX Corporation as its core members. Kansai Airports took over the operations of Kansai International Airport (“KIX”) and Osaka International Airport (“ITAMI”) from New Kansai International Airport Company (“NKIAC”) and has been operating the two airports since April 1, 2016.

Kansai Airports Kobe, Kansai Airports’ wholly-owned subsidiary, took over the operations of Kobe Airport (“KOBE”) from Kobe City and started its business as an operating company on April 1, 2018.

Under the concept of “One Kansai Airports Group”, Kansai Airports group strives to continuously improve its services for all airport guests through appropriate investments and efficient operations, with safety and security being the top priority. Kansai Airports group aims to maximize the potential of the three airports, for the benefit of the communities they serve.

For more information, please visit : <http://www.kansai-airports.co.jp/en/>

Kansai Airports

Location	1-banchi, Senshu-kuko kita, Izumisano-shi, Osaka	Shareholders	ORIX 40%, VINCI Airports 40%, Other investors 20% ¹
Company Representatives	Representative Director and CEO: Yoshiyuki Yamaya Representative Director and Co-CEO: Benoit Rulleau		
Business Scope	Operation and management services, etc. of Kansai International Airport and Osaka International Airport		

Kansai Airports Kobe

Location	1-ban, Kobe-kuko, Chuo-ku, Kobe-shi, Hyogo	Shareholder	Kansai Airports 100%
Company Representatives	Representative Director and CEO: Yoshiyuki Yamaya Representative Director and Co-CEO: Benoit Rulleau		
Business Scope	Operation and management services, etc. of Kobe Airport		



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