

### **Spanish Air Force. New Aeromedical Center.**

The 3<sup>rd</sup> of March 2014, the new Spanish Air Force Aeromedical Center started operations in the new facility located in Torrejón AB, just 20 Km east from Madrid city center.

Plans to set up the Center has been arranged step by step for the last five years, from technical requirements, design, contract, credentials and new chain of command.

The new Institute/Aeromedical Center, has been designed to hold a wide range of capabilities and aviation state of the art tools and projection for the next 25 years.

First area already available it has been the clinical department, devoted to aeromedical certification, either way military and civilian.

Old altitude chamber has been moved, and a new hypobaric facility will be delivered throughout April 2014. Both labs, old altitude chamber and the new one will be devoted to a wide range of activities, such aircrew training, research and on board equipment certification.

In addition to that, the Night Lab, has been updated and new capabilities and computer network setting has been established.

The new facility includes the opening of 3 new labs, that will be set up in the near future. New Laboratories will be devoted to testing normobaric hypoxia, ergonomics lab and flight equipment testing. Plans are to set operational all of them, throughout 2014-2015.

This is a big step for the National and International Community devoted to Military and Civil Aviation. The new Institute /Aeromedical Center will be able to project and spread state of the art aviation medical resources, instruction and research that no doubt will be beneficial for Spain, NATO, and worldwide allied countries, especially for all nations of the Latin America.



New Spanish Air Force Aeromedical Center. April 2014



First physical in the new Aeromedical Center. March, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2014.