

## **Peach to Start Training Its Pilots In-House**

## The next step aimed for LCC market growth in the future

- To train pilots in-house for expanding aviation demand
- · Call for pilots scheduled to be made around summer 2018
- Trainee pilots scheduled to join Peach by end of FY 2019

**Osaka 01 March, 2018** - Peach Aviation Limited ("Peach"; Representative Director and CEO: Shinichi Inoue) has announced that it will begin offering training to its own pilots.

To date, Peach has been hiring pilots who have graduated from aviation universities or taken pilot courses at private universities and obtained the necessary licenses to fly as pilots at airlines, providing in-house training as copilots. This will be the first time for the company to train pilots from their initial step to obtain their licenses.

With expansions of LCCs and other such factors, aviation demand in Asia is rapidly increasing, and a shortage of pilots is becoming a major issue. To post further growth as a bridge between Japan and Asia and to contribute to expansions in aviation demand, Peach believes that it is important to nurture pilots under its own scheme and has decided to take these steps at this time.

Peach will make a call for the first pilots to be trained in-house on its company website and through other such methods around the summer of 2018 and is planning to have them join the company as trainee pilots by the end of FY 2019.

Other details will be notified as soon as they are decided.

For those of you who would like to receive more details, please register below. Peach will contact you as soon as details have been decided.

https://job.axol.jp/hk/c/flypeach\_c/entry\_0027270112/

## About Peach (www.flypeach.com)

Peach began its operations out of its Kansai Airport hub in March 2012. It set up secondary hubs to follow Kansai Airport at Naha Airport in July 2014 and at Sendai Airport in September 2017. Peach currently has a fleet of 20 aircraft and operates more than 100 flights daily, serving more than 13,000 passengers on 15 domestic and 14 international routes. In addition to opening an Okinawa (Naha) – Kaohsiung route on April 26, 2018 and an Osaka (Kansai) – Kushiro route on August 1, it is also planning to set up Shin-Chitose Airport as a hub during FY 2018.