

# ABU DHABI AIR EXPO

## THE PLACE TO BE 6 TO 8 MARCH 2012

This year sees the first Abu Dhabi Air Expo, from 6th to 8th of March 2012 at Al Bateen Executive Airport, Abu Dhabi, UAE.

There have been recent airshows at Dubai and Bahrain but the Abu Dhabi event is the only General Aviation Exhibition in the Middle East. Although it has interest for business aviation professionals it is mainly intended for owners, pilots, enthusiasts and professionals in the general aviation field.

The show covers from microlites right up to the Airbus 320 in its range of 100 static aircraft. It differs from the others in that there are no military or airline exhibitors.

The 5-10,000 daily visitors will ensure a good show but the home of the show is Al Bateen, itself already a massive success with a traffic increase of 11% in overall commercial aviation movements in 2011, compared to

2010, and more than 50% increase in visiting business aviation traffic. Yousif Al Hammadi Chairman of the show, and Deputy General Manager of Al Bateen Executive Airport explains "Abu Dhabi is aiming to become a world class training aviation hub through training centers such as GCAS. We recognise there will be a shortage of pilots in the near future and the region is trying to address this problem through the creation of facilities such as the Fujairah Flying Academy as one example. There will also be a display of used aircraft for sale: private individuals and professionals will exhibit second hand planes and this will create a real annual market in the region".

The Air Expo will cover Aircraft – Jets – Ultralights – Helicopters- Equipment – Manufacturers – Services – Pilot Training Schools – Accessories – Avionics – Insurance – Financing.

### The Abu Dhabi Air EXPO

**Date:** From Tuesday 6th to Thursday 8th March 2012

**Place:** Al Bateen Executive Airport – OMAD/AZI, Abu Dhabi, UAE.

**Times:** 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

**Parking:** At the airport

**Entry price:** 100 USD or invitation

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