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Europe's biggest Fly-IN „TANNKOSH“ stops planning for 2015

Tannheim – There will be no „TANNKOSH-Fly-In“ on the airfield of Tannheim near Memmingen/ South Germany next year. The organizers have stopped the planning of the event and are at this time not considering a continuation of the event in the subsequent few years.

With over 1.500 aircraft on the field, and more than 15.000 visitors during one weekend in August, „TANNKOSH“ was the biggest non-commercial aviation event in Europe and has taken place for more than 20 years. The event has grown from a small and private pilot meeting inspired by the „big brother“ EAA Fly-In in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. The motto of the event was „BY pilots FOR pilots“. It's special nature was constituted by the openness towards all aspects of flying. Visitors had the chance to experience „everything that flies“ and to meet pilots of all fields of aviation: from gliders through microlights, from rare vintage aircraft and warbirds to a wide range of general aviation aircraft. The German Armed Forces displayed their aircraft, as well as well-known members of the airshow scene.

Another special feature was the extraordinary teamwork of the more than 100 volunteers that constituted the so called „Team Tannkosh“: they were the backbone of the event and have deservedly secured themselves a place in the hearts of the visitors.

Matthias Dolderer, Red Bull Airrace pilot, explains: „We are proud to have established a contribution to Aviation in Europe through TANNKOSH over the years. Meanwhile, however, we have reached the limits of our capacity: it is not possible to safely gather more airplanes, more pilots and visitors into this single event.“

Verena Dolderer, CEO of Tannheim Airfield and Flight School together with her brother, adds: „Since we do not want to consider limiting the number of pilots flying in, and at the same time cannot compromise safety, we have decided, with a heavy heart, to adjourn the event indefinitely. We will, of course, concentrate our efforts and energy, as an airfield and flight school, to continue supporting aviation and aviators, and to keep up our friendship with pilots from all over the world.“

Tannheim Airfield (EDMT) is one of the few family-owned and operated public airfields in Germany. Since 1976, the services offered include, next to flight training and aircraft rental, full FBO services as well as advanced training courses for aerobatics, mountain flying, sightseeing flights, skydive training and flying club vacations.

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