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The ENAIRE Foundation has expanded its partnership with the Historical Archives of the Air and Space Force to further highlight Spain's aeronautical heritage.

The Foundation of Spain's air navigation service provider, ENAIRE, is already collaborating with the Archives to digitise the photographs in the historic collection. Now, the protocol will be expanded to do a virtual tour and a photogrammetry scan by flying a drone over the Castillo Palacio de Villaviciosa de Odón, home of the Archives.

“For aeronautics, it's essential not only to conduct new research but to preserve our aeronautical memory and heritage, since our past is what allows us to move forward with meaning, and culture is what shapes us as a society and people”. These are the words of the managing director of the ENAIRE Foundation, Margarita Asuar, for whom “shining a light on our aeronautical history strengthens us, and the Historical Archives of the Air and Space Force is the main institution that holds and attests to our aeronautical past”.

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General José Luis Figuro, head of the Historic and Cultural Service of the Air and Space Force (SHYCEA), hosted the meeting held with the ENAIRE Foundation at the Archives. The event was also attended by the head of the Archives, Colonel Javier Cáceres; its Technical Director, Laura Lavado; the Secretary General of the SHYCEA, Colonel Juan Martínez Ramos, who gave a thorough presentation on the work to preserve the historical aeronautical memory. Also representing ENAIRE was the Director of Civil-Military Coordination, Juan Treceño.

Margarita Asuar signed the Archive's guestbook, visited all the facilities and was presented with the work they are doing to digitise photographs, videos and documents.

Link to the Historical Archive of the Air and Space Army:

<https://ejercitodelaire.defensa.gob.es/ea/archivohistorico/index.html>

About ENAIRE Foundation

Is a cultural institution of the Ministry of Transport and Sustainable Mobility that, in addition to managing, preserving and exhibiting the ENAIRE Collection of Contemporary Art, engages in a comprehensive annual programme of activities that focus on aeronautical art and culture. Notably, it is one of the institutions that currently provides the most support to photography through its annual prizes - which have become a benchmark for professional photographers - and by hosting exhibits.

It is the only foundation in Spain that combines the two seemingly disparate themes of art and aeronautical culture, bringing them together by undertaking a programme of activities that promote the study, research, knowledge and dissemination of aeronautical culture, integrating history and modernity to raise awareness of the world of aviation in our country.

The Naves de Gamazo are the first permanent home of the ENAIRE Collection of Contemporary Art, an example of collaboration between government agencies that was made possible thanks to the partnership and joint efforts of the Ministry of Transport and Sustainable Mobility, the Government of Cantabria, through the Office for Culture, Tourism and Sport, and the Port

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Authority of Santander, which share the operating expenses of the centre in order to ensure the present and future viability of this cultural project.

About ENAIRE

ENAIRE is the air navigation service provider in Spain.

As a company of the Ministry of Sustainable Transport and Mobility, it provides en route control services for all flights and overflights from five control centres in Madrid, Barcelona, Seville, Gran Canaria and Palma, as well as approach services to every airport in the country.

In addition, 46 airports receive communication, navigation and surveillance services from ENAIRE, which also maintains their air traffic control systems, and 21 of them, including the country's busiest airports, rely on its aerodrome air traffic control services.

ENAIRE is Europe's fourth largest air traffic manager and participates in the A6 Alliance, a coalition of air navigation providers responsible for over 80% of European air traffic, and which is seeking to modernise the air traffic management system. It is also a member of other international alliances promoting the Single European sky, such as SESAR Joint Undertaking, SESAR Deployment Manager, ITEC, CANSO and ICAO.

ENAIRE, as the responsible agency identified by the Ministry of Sustainable Transport and Mobility to implement the U-Space system in Spain, will, through its digital platform, provide the Common Information Services (CIS), which are essential to facilitate U-space services to drones and Urban Air Mobility in cooperation with local air traffic services, so that all types of aircraft can fly safely in the same airspace.

ENAIRE has received the highest score in Europe on the aviation safety key performance indicator for four years in a row. It has also been awarded the EFQM 500 Seal for its safe, efficient, innovative and sustainable management of air navigation services.

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