

Presentation of the Eclipse in Ciampino – From Askanews

Is the most efficient and cost effective twin-engine jet on the market, it costs just under \$ 3 million and maintenance expenses are really competitive. It is the Eclipse 550, which Askanews could see at Rome Ciampino airport, the first stage of the Italian tour which also touched Foggia and Milan Linate.

The tour has been organized by G & G Aviation, which has partnered with English Aeris Aviation, European distributor of Eclipse Aerospace aircraft, for the marketing and sale of the jet in Italy.

The Eclipse 550 - manufactured in the United States - can carry 4 passengers (which may reach 6) on routes up to 1,125 nautical miles, flying up to 41,000 feet above sea level at a speed of 375 knots and with a consumption which fluctuates between 180 and 220 liters per hour. The ability to land on short runways then makes the aircraft also suitable for an air taxi service.

One of the strengths is the price, as explained by Giovanni Francesco Piccione, CEO of G & G Aviation: "This aircraft costs less than \$ 3 million and has a lower operational cost even in respect of some twin or single-engine turboprop so it is ideal for those who need to move especially between cities not directly linked from commercial aviation shortening terribly journey times".

At the event was present David Hayman, pilot and CEO of Aeris Aviation:

"It 's the first time we make a business tour in Italy and it is fantastic to be in Rome today."

Last year - said Hayman - were delivered 20 aircraft, the majority in the United States, two in South America, as many in South Africa and three in Europe. This year the company expects to deliver about 30 aircraft in the world, between 5 and 8 in Europe. Customers are not only companies or businessmen, but also individuals with a passion for flight.