

## JEC Trade Show News

Booth R46

### **TenCate Recognized as a Co-Winner in 2010 Aeronautics Innovation Award.**

TenCate's Gulfstream 650 Elevator Made With Cetex® Thermoplastic Composites Will Be on Display in TenCate's Booth .

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**April 13-15th, 2010, JEC Trade Show, Paris France** - TenCate Advanced Composites announces that it has been named as a co-winner of the 2010 JEC Aeronautics Innovation Award. This year's award recognizes Fokker Aerospace and its partners for the fabrication of the first induction welded thermoplastic composites in primary structure on a business series aircraft. The Gulfstream G650's elevator and aileron's are fabricated with TenCate Cetex® thermoplastic composite prepregs and laminates. A G650 elevator assembly utilizing TenCate's Cetex aerospace qualified thermoplastic prepregs and laminates will be on display in TenCate's booth (R46).



The G650's skins, ribs and spars are fabricated with TenCate's Cetex® carbon fiber reinforced thermoplastic prepreg laminates utilizing a polyphenylene thermoplastic resin. The multi-ply thermoplastic laminate ribs are press formed, and then subsequently robotically welded via induction welding. The Gulfstream G650 is targeting a 2012 in service

date. Fokker Aerospace is responsible for fabrication of the six meter long elevator, Kok en van Engelen Composites for induction welding and the thermoplastic resin supplier is Ticona.

Frank Meurs, Group Director states "TenCate Cetex® thermoplastic prepreg laminates have a proud twenty year history in aerospace on commercial, military and business aircraft. Our thermoplastic composite prepregs and laminates combine some of the best attributes of high strength composites with aerospace databases, toughness, resistance to moisture and aerospace fluids, ambient temperature storage and the ability to utilize automated fabrication techniques for cost effective processing. "

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