

## **Take-off successful!**

More than **600,000** visitors poured onto the Champs-Élysées this weekend for the exhibition to mark the 100th anniversary of the French aerospace industry, organized by Gifas.

The huge success of the event is evidence of widespread public interest in the aerospace sector.

The exhibition continues until Sunday 12 October with a Careers & Training Forum opening on Thursday 9 October in the Place de la Concorde, where university and high school students will be able to meet manufacturers and educational establishments and find out about different career opportunities.

Among the many prominent industrial and political figures present, there will be the French Education and Research Minister Valérie Pécresse, who will open the Forum alongside the Gifas Chairman and CEO of Dassault Aviation Mr Charles Edelstenne, and Mr Louis Gallois, CEO of EADS and Deputy Chairman of Gifas.

The Secretary of State for Industry and Consumer Affairs and spokesperson for the government Luc Chatel visited the exhibition on Saturday morning. This week Gifas is expecting the French Education Minister Xavier Darcos and the Secretary of State for Transport Dominique Bussereau.