

The Ultimate Endorsement: Training the Regulator

The most significant validation of Sofema's quality occurred in December 2025, when EASA officially selected Sofema Aviation Services to deliver specialized regulatory training to its own staff.

In early 2026, Sofema will be onsite at EASA Headquarters in Cologne, Germany, to deliver high-level training covering:

- ICAO Annex 1 (Personnel Licensing)
- ICAO Annex 6 (Operation of Aircraft)
- ICAO Annex 8 (Airworthiness of Aircraft)

When the primary regulatory body for Europe chooses a provider to instruct its own personnel on global standards, it serves as the ultimate "accolade" for that provider's technical expertise and instructional integrity.

A Legacy of Global Trust: 175,000+ Certificates

Since its launch in 2015, Sofema Online has revolutionized vocational e-learning in aviation. The platform's success is measured by its unprecedented scale and reliability:

Over 175,000 certificates issued: A milestone that reflects the trust placed in Sofema by tens of thousands of professionals and hundreds of aviation organizations worldwide.

Unrivaled Portfolio: With a library exceeding 300 specialized courses, Sofema provides niche training for every role in the industry—from production planning and storekeepers to Nominated Persons and Accountable Managers.

Global Acceptance: To date, no National Aviation Authority (NAA) has officially rejected a Sofema Online certificate. This 100% acceptance rate is a testament to the accuracy and relevance of the material.

Understanding Compliance: Why "EASA Approved" is a Misnomer

A common question in the industry is why regulatory training providers do not hold a specific "EASA Approval" stamp. The answer is simple: under EASA law, such an approval does not exist.

1. The Regulatory Framework EASA only issues approvals for specific categories: Part 147 for Maintenance Training (Basic License and Aircraft Type) and ATO for Flight/Cabin Crew. For all other regulatory training—such as Human Factors, SMS, Part 145, or Part CAMO—EASA provides the "Hard Law" (Regulations) and "Soft Law" (AMC/GM), but it does not certify the training companies themselves.

2. The Burden of Proof In the EASA system, the responsibility for validating training lies with the receiving organization (the Airline, MRO, or CAMO). The Quality or Compliance Manager must audit the training provider to ensure the content meets their specific organizational needs and the regulator's expectations.

3. Total Transparency for Auditors Because there is no "government stamp" for these hundreds of specialized courses, Sofema Online operates with total transparency. We provide "Guest Access" to Quality Managers and Regulatory Authorities, allowing them to audit our courseware directly. This ensures that when an auditor reviews your training records, they are seeing content that has been pre-verified by the industry's leading experts.

By choosing Sofema, you are not just selecting a training provider; you are choosing the organization trusted by the regulator itself to maintain the highest standards of aviation safety and compliance.