



New series of FSX missions

Are you an FSX pilot? Do you like to fly missions? We've got some news for you.

During 2009 and 2010 FScene is publishing a new series of free Flight Simulator X Missions, in cooperation with a team of old FS boys.



The Team

Ruud Faber, Jaap van Hees, Chip Barber and Francois Dumas are all 'veterans' of the international flight simulation 'scene' and have put their spare time, enthusiasm and talents together to come up with this new series.

The Theme

Following the route of Charles Darwin and packed with Scientists, writers and artists the clipper "Stad Amsterdam" has left Plymouth for a journey around the world. Join the journey, and lend a hand! Supplied by air they need new instruments, medicines and food. As captain you are responsible for resupply. You'll fly many different aircraft. Over many different seas.

The Radio/TV project

To celebrate Charles Darwin's 200th birth year, and the 150th anniversary of his publication of "On the Origin of Species", VPRO, a Dutch Radio/TV station is running a 35-part series called Beagle: On the future of species. (see more details on last page)



Interactive

The Beagle project has strong interactive components. All scientific findings made during the journey can be closely watched on a special Beagle website, and are broadcast by both radio and television; personal journals and video logs about life on board are made by the producers, the sailing crew, and by guests on board. These are updated on a daily basis. The route of the entire voyage can be closely followed by viewers on the internet.



Where does flight simulation come in?

Although not a professional mission developer, Ruud Faber of FScene contacted the producers of this huge event with the proposal to provide the interactivity of the project an extra dimension by somehow integrating Flight Simulator Missions. Much to his excitement, after having seen his short demonstration, the project staff showed much interest, his presumption being absolutely right. Flight Simulation was adopted.

Hence all 'flightsimmers' interested can now follow this great adventure in their own favorite way. By flying a series of free missions inspired by this modern Beagle journey.

Only for experienced players?

No, the missions are not meant as challenges. Feel good and 'Just for fun' is a better description.

Interested?

[Visit the Beagle Missions Website](#)



VPRO Project Introduction

Beagle: On the future of species

The voyage of the HMS Beagle has been described as the most important journey ever made. During his travels, Charles Darwin gathered information and knowledge that would drastically change the way we look at the world.

With his book "On the Origin of Species" (1859) Darwin would be the first to explain that life on Earth is not created by God, but rather developed by evolution.

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Life on earth is under continual change. Is there reason to worry about the future? Can science offer us sufficient answers to some of our most compelling questions? Are we leaving behind an inhabitable world for future generations?

Our VPRO-Beagle ship the Clipper Stad Amsterdam is an experiment in itself. This three mast sailing ship is rigged with advanced scientific measurement equipment.

Scientists from various disciplines and from all over the world execute experiments on board this sailing science lab. The ship also has a built-in TV studio from which parts of the series are produced and broadcast.

Beagle takes viewers on a journey across magnificent landscapes, vulnerable regions, endangered areas and adventurous locations, stretching from Patagonia to the South Pacific, and from Australia to St. Helena. En route one recurrent question is asked: "Will the earth survive mankind?"

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