

Engineers launch drive to create new jobs in Bristol

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An international service engineering company that is planning on creating 40 new jobs in Bristol in the next three years has set up offices in the city.

EUROGICIEL, which has a 50 million euro turnover, employs 700 people in France and Germany and has now moved to Bristol to be closer to its biggest client, Airbus.

ETIQ UK Limited, the UK subsidiary of EUROGICIEL, has opened an office in Almondsbury with the help of the South West RDA.

Hugues Morel, vice-president at EUROGICIEL, said: "The South West RDA has been instrumental in helping establish our presence in Bristol by introducing us to new business opportunities and ensuring we are embedded in the region's aerospace sector. This has been crucial in helping us get to the point where we are now with a fully operational office in Bristol. For a new company in the city, and indeed new to the country, these connections are vital if we are to continue to thrive and reach our goal of employing up to 40 people in the next few years."

In addition, EUROGICIEL has been working with UK Trade and Investment and the West of England Partnership to build its connections with companies in the aerospace sector.

The RDA has also helped the company join the West of England Aerospace Forum – a membership trade association that champions and supports the interests of the aerospace and defence industry in South West England. James McNaughton, international investment team manager at the South West RDA, said: "Part of our work at the RDA is to encourage inward investment and support companies who want to expand their businesses here so we are pleased to have helped EUROGICIEL reach this exciting milestone.

"There are signs of renewed investment activity from the French market as more companies look to move projects forward after a tentative period so we look forward to more success stories in the near future."

EUROGICIEL specialises in project management and software system engineering.