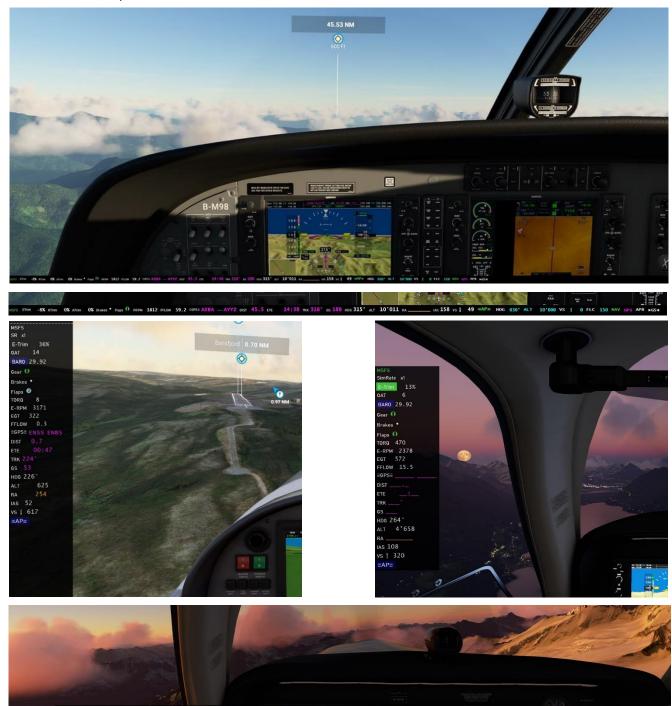
# MSFS HudBar V 0.28.0.22

See (new V0.28) indications for updates from the previous version

Display essential Information as Bar or Tile at any side of the primary screen Or use the Window to have it anywhere you like

- Displays essential aircraft and flight information as Bar or Tile
- Supports 1 and 2 engine aircrafts (Prop/Engine RPM, Fuel Flow for each)
- Provides 5 different content profiles which are fully configurable
- The pilot can directly activate Autopilot commands
- Auto Elevator Trim on a click
- Bottom/Top Bars work best with wide screen monitors



# Usage

Deploy the release zip content in a folder (no installer provided or needed)

### Best is to start MSFS first, then the Bar

- Start MSFS2020 first and once the Main Menu is shown
- Start FS20\_HudBar.exe
- It attempts to connect to the Flight simulator in 5 sec intervals, but shows an error message while it cannot connect
- Note: the shown values are a bit meaningless until the aircraft and flight is live
   Also note that the bar is shown on the ++PRIMARY monitor++ at the bottom of the screen

If you are using it the first time, all items except for the MSFS status are unchecked i.e. no further items are shown in the default bar at the bottom of the screen.

- just head straight to the Configuration and check the ones you like (right click the bar - Configure...)!

- Right Click the Bar and choose from the pop up menu
  - o To **select** a Profile (1..5 your names)
  - o To **Configure**.. to check or uncheck the items to be shown
  - o To Exit and stop the program
- The Hud can be shown as Bar or Tile or Window (new V0.28)
   (to be changed in Configuration, default is Bar at the Bottom of the screen)
  - Bar: a full width window attached to the defined side of the screen
  - Tile: a window sized to accommodate the selected items
     A Tile can be moved freely along the side where it is attached to
  - o Window: like Tile but freely movable

# What is shown

Fields can be selected to be shown in the Configuration Window

The sequence can be adjusted to your needs in Configuration

From the Left - MSFS indicates if the Bar is connected to the Simulation (red if not connected)

Then there are: Trim, Gear, Brakes (Park), Flaps

Followed by: Engine Values, GPS data, Aircraft data and Auto Pilot Indications, Checkpoint meters

See below for all items available



# Clickable Commands

In general when you see a label with a dark blue background and when hovering with the mouse pointer it turns to a hand cursor – the item is actionable.

# Autopilot commands

Actionable autopilot command are:

-AP-, HDG, ALT, VS, FLC, BC, NAV, APR and YD, LVL

Clicking them will toggle the state if this is supported by the Sim

# Setting the BARO to the current pressure

Click BARO to set it to current (same as the keyboard B button)

# E-,R-,A-Trim Reset

Click the label to set the trim value to 0% (reset Trim)

# **Automatic Elevator Trim**

A-ETrim – Aside from showing the current Elevator Trim % it provides an Auto Elevator Trim function:

Clicking the **A-ETrim** label will activate the Auto Elevator Trim module for about 20 seconds. It will display **A-ETrim** in green color while active - clicking the active module again will switch it off Note: the module controls the Elevator Trim in a way to level the aircraft towards zero vertical speed. It may or may not work to your expectation.. so use it only if you feel comfortable with.

# Moving a Tile Hud

If a profile is set as **Tile** one is able to <u>move</u> the window along the bound edge of the screen

Movement is available if the cursor shows up as Cross with Arrows

Click the **Left** mouse button and <u>drag</u> the window, it will remain attached to the bound border while moving it

# Other information

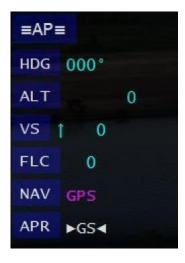
# Checkpoint Lapse Meter:

- Click one of the CP1..CP3 labels to start the meter, it shows the time elapsed and the distance from the trigger location (Lat/Lon Distance). The label turns green when clicked once.
- Click again to re-start the meter there is no Stop function, just let it run

# Waypoint Estimates:

**WP-VS** – Which VS is required to arrive at the next Waypoint at the set altitude given the current GS assuming a straight flight. This requires to have a next Waypoint and its altitude other than zero, the altitude target is ALTP. The target altitude may change to a blue indication and using the AP set altitude when there is no GPS target altitude (=0).

**WP-ALT** – At which altitude is the aircraft when reaching the next Waypoint given the current GS and VS. This requires to have a next Waypoint.



MSFS

R-Trim

A-Trim .

SimRate x\_

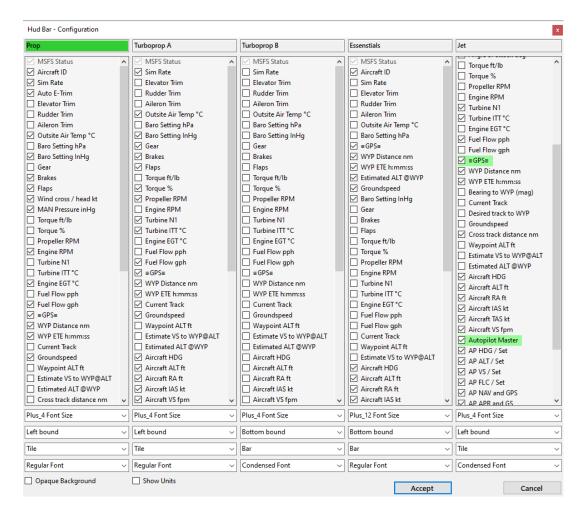
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# Configuration

The currently selected one will show up with a green background color (here it was "Prop")

Name and use up to 5 different profiles

Type the profile name into the field of the topmost row (here Prop, Turboprop A, ...)



## General Settings are:

- Check **Show Units** to display the units along the values
- Check Opaque Background to have the Bar completely black, else it is slightly transparent

# For any profile:

- Check / Uncheck the items in the list which to show / hide items
- Select a Fontsize from Regular, Plus-2, -4, -6, -8, -10, Minus-2, -4, Plus-12, -14 (the bar rescales to multiple rows/columns to fit all checked items on the screen)
- Select the **Alignment** of the bar for any profile (left, right, top, bottom)
- Select the Kind of the bar where Bar is a full width or height band and Tile is a rectangle bound to the alignment border, the size of the tile will adapt to the items shown Window is similar to Tile however it can be moved freely to any position and screen (new Vo.28)
- Select from **Regular** or **Condensed** Font type
- → Checked items are shown in either horizontal or vertical order as they are shown in the configuration panel.
  - See below how to re-arrange the order here and to apply new lines

# Move an item within a bar:

Works about the same as Drag and Drop

- Left Click and hold the item which will be moved
- Move the mouse <u>up</u> or <u>down</u> the cursor will change to a NS sign
- Drop (Release the mouse button) the item should appear at the drop position
  - Note: Due to the rearrangement of the affected items the behavior is different if you move an item up or down sometimes you need a second drag to place it where you want it to be
- Hit Escape or move the mouse out of the drop zone and release the mouse button if you wish to <u>cancel</u> the movement

# Propeller RPM □ Engine RPM □ Turbine N1 □ Fuel Flow gph □ Turbine ITT °C □ Engine EGT °C □ Fuel Flow pph □ ≡ GPS≡ □ WYP Distance nm □ WYP ETE h:mm:ss □ Current Track

# Start a new line for the item and its successors:

- Right click an item to <u>start it on a new line/column</u> in the Hud
- New Lines are indicated with items that have a light green background color (e.g -GPS- above)
- Right click again to remove the New Line the background color reverts to light gray

Note: if the New Line item is unchecked the line break is omitted

# Leaving the Configuration Window

- Click **Accept** to <u>accept</u> all changes made to the configuration
- Click Cancel to discard all changes made
- The window will close and the Hud is rebuilt according to the profile

All settings are automatically saved and should be available for any further use

# Available Info Fields

For Engine related fields the Bar shows up to 2 Engines.

Once a 2 Engine aircraft is detected the left one is Engine 1 and the second/right one Engine 2

SimRate x: the current Sim Rate factor – if not x1 it is shown with yellow background

ID: the aircraft ID

Time: the current Sim Time [h:mm:ss] (new V0.28)

E-, R-, A-Trim: Elevator, Rudder, Aileron Trim % values +- deflection (click the label to Zero Trim)

A-ETrim: Elevator Trim % value with clickable Auto Elevator Trim

**OAT**: Outside Air Temperature [°C] (only in °C – sorry...)

VIS: Visibility [nm] (new V0.28)

BARO: Setting is available as [inHg] or [HPA] – chose one that fits the needs

WIND: Setting is available as Dir[deg] @ Speed [kt] or Cross- / Head-Tail Wind [kt]

AoA: Angle of attack degrees [deg]

Gear: either Up, down or Unknown (Transient) 1000

**Brakes**: Parking Brake indication - Set: ◆ Released: •

Flaps: either full up, down or steps in-between (depends on the number of steps available) 1000

TORQ: Engine torque value is available as [ft/lb] or [%] – chose one that fits the needs

P-RPM: Propeller RPM Value

E-RPM: Engine RPM Value

N1: Turbine N1 % Value

**ITT**: Turbine ITT Temperature [°C]

**EGT**: Engine Exhaust Gas Temperature [°C]

MAN: Manifold Pressure [inHg]

FFLOW: Fuel Flow value is available as pounds per hour or gallons per hour – chose one that fits the needs

F-LR: Fuel quantity Left / Right [gal] (only gallons available)

F-TOT: Fuel quantity Total [gal] (only gallons available)

-GPS- Shows the previous and next Waypoint if a flight plan is active

**DIST** shows the GPS Distance to the next Waypoint [nm]

**ETE** shows the GPS Estimated Time Enroute to the next Waypoint [h:mm:ss]

D-ETE shows the GPS Estimated Time Enroute to the next Destination [h:mm:ss] (new V0.28)

**BRG** shows the GPS magnetic bearing to the next Waypoint [degm]

**TRK** shows the GPS magnetic ground track [degm]

**DTK** shows the GPS desired track to the next Waypoint [degm]

**XTK** shows the GPS cross track distance [nm]

**GS** shows the GPS ground speed [kt]

**ALTP** shows the GPS Waypoint Altitude if it is available [ft]

Enroute shows the elapsed times towards the WYP and TOTAL (Active, Click to restart tracking) (new VO.28)

Calculated fields when a "Next Waypoint" is available:

WP-VS Estimated VS to WYP@ALT:
 Calculated VS to reach the next waypoint at the proposed altitude with the current GS and DIST (ALTP altitude when purple or Setting Alt when blue)

WP-ALT Estimated ALT@WYP:
 Calculated altitude at next waypoint using the actual GS, VS and DIST

Note: the calculated fields are experimental they are rounded to the nearest 100.

**HDG**: Current Magnetic Heading [degm]

**HDGt**: Current True Heading [deg] (new V0.28)

**ALT**: Current Altitude [ft]

RA: Radio Altitude [ft AOG] available when <=1500ft AOG (increased to 1500ft V0.28)

IAS: Indicated Airspeed [kt]

**TAS**: True Airspeed [kt] **Mach**: Mach number [M]

VS: Vertical rate [feet per minute]

-AP-: Autopilot Master (all Autopilot signs turn to Green text if active)

**HDG**: Heading Mode Sign and Heading Setting

ALT: Altitude Mode Sign and Altitude Setting [ft]

VS: Vertical Rate Sign and VS Setting [fpm]

FLC: Flight Level Change Sign and IAS Setting [kt]

BC: Back Course Sign (new V0.28)

**NAV**: Nav Mode Sign and GPS Source – GPS active source shown in purple letters else if NAV is guiding the GPS label is greyed out

APR: Approach Mode Sign and Glide Slope/Path (>GS<) Capture. GS turns green if captured

YD: Yaw Damper Sign (validity depends on Acft type) (new V0.28)

LVL: Wing Leveler Sign (validity depends on Acft type) (new V0.28)

APT shows the Flightplan destination airport ICAO code (should, at least...) (new VO.28)

RWY shows the distance [nm], left/right deviation [ft] and height [ft] from the ATC assigned runway (new Vo.28)

**CP1..3**: Checkpoints to track elapsed time and Lat/Lon distance from start point

click a CPn label to start tracking, it turns green while tracking, click again to set a new start point



# **Distributed Contents:**

My FlightSim Libraries (included in the release package)

- SimConnectClient.dll -- FlightSim interface to MSFS2020 SimConnect
- FSimClientIF.dll -- Generic FSim Client interface definition
- FSimIF.dll -- Generic FSim interface definition

From MSFS2020 Developer Kit for convenience included:

- SimConnect.cfg
- Microsoft.FlightSimulator.SimConnect.dll
- SimConnect.dll

### (new V0.28)

From Google Fonts Library embedded:

Share\_Tech\_Mono

A rather condensed monospaced font used for the 'Condensed Font Window

# **Full Credit goes to JayDeeGaming**

Where the idea of this HudBar is 'borrowed' from (https://www.youtube.com/c/JayDeeGaming/about)