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## Budapest Airport doubles flights with Air Canada rouge

Budapest Airport has announced further development in its expanding summer schedule with another welcome frequency increase on Air Canada rouge's link to Toronto Pearson. Announcing just last November that the Canadian leisure carrier would be expanding its existing three times weekly operation from 19 May, three weeks earlier than 2016, the airline has confirmed the frequency will now be doubled during the peak season, commencing a six times weekly service from 21 June.

Experiencing a highly successful first year of operation, Air Canada rouge's additional seasonal connections will mean Budapest's weekly Canadian capacity will increase by another 20%, seeing an extra 7,300 seats to Canada during high summer. The airline's additional services throughout S17 will give Air Canada rouge a 50% year-on-year capacity increase.

Commenting on the frequency increase, Jost Lammers, CEO, Budapest Airport, says: "Being able to announce yet more capacity on our Canadian link, and still less than a year after welcoming the Air Canada brand into our portfolio, is a great sign of the significant success the airline has experienced with us." He added: "We continue to commit ourselves to offering a series of North American connections, in both business and leisure sectors, and these extra services will satisfy real demand."



Photo caption: Jost Lammers, CEO, Budapest Airport, officially welcomed Air Canada rouge to the Hungarian gateway last June. Following highly successful operations in its first year, the Canadian leisure carrier's frequency will be doubling to six times weekly during 2017's peak summer season.

## Notes for Editors

- Budapest Airport Zrt. is the operator of Budapest Airport. It is owned by an international consortium of investors, led by the privately-owned German company AviAlliance, an independent airport manager holding a 55.438% stake, together with Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec (21.228%), and Malton Investment Pte Ltd. (23.334%).
- Budapest Airport welcomed more than 11.4 million passengers in 2016, flying on the airport's services to 111 destinations across 38 countries.
- Monthly passenger traffic growth February 2017 has exceeded +14.8%.
- Budapest Airport's route development includes:  
Already launched:

- easyJet three times weekly service to Amsterdam, 6 February 2017.

### To launch:

- Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Faro, starting 1 April 2017;
- Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Skopje, starting 2 April 2017;
- Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Podgorica, starting 3 April 2017;
- Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Tirana, starting 5 April 2017;
- Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Sarajevo, starting 5 April 2017;
- Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Pristina, starting 7 April 2017;
- Wizz Air four times weekly service to Hannover, starting 10 April 2017;
- Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Bergen, starting 10 April 2017;
- Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Lamezia Terme, starting 12 April 2017;
- Flybe three times weekly service to London Southend, starting 4 May 2017;
- Ukraine International Airlines, daily service to Kiev Boryspil, starting 15 June 2017;
- TAP Portugal daily service to Lisbon, starting 1 July 2017;
- Wizz Air, twice-weekly service to Bordeaux, starting 22 September 2017;
- Ryanair twice-weekly service to Lviv, starting 25 October 2017;
- Ryanair five times weekly service to Prague, starting 29 October 2017;
- Ryanair twice-weekly service to Marrakech, starting 30 October 2017;
- Ryanair twice-weekly service to Valencia, starting 30 October 2017;
- Ryanair twice-weekly service to Edinburgh, starting 30 October 2017;
- Ryanair twice-weekly service to Naples, starting 30 October 2017;
- Wizz Air daily service to Frankfurt, starting 15 December 2017.

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