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Budapest Airport welcomes China Southern Airlines and new route to Guangzhou, with a myriad of onward destinations

Budapest Airport has confirmed a new partnership with China Southern Airlines, marking the introduction of an additional airline to its carrier roll call and a new destination to its ever-expanding network. Commencing on 27 June, China Southern Airlines will launch a four-times weekly flight to Guangzhou, operating the airport's latest long-haul route with the advanced B787-8.

"It's a great pleasure to welcome China Southern Airlines to Budapest Airport and to introduce Guangzhou, one of China's major hubs, as a new and exciting destination," says Balázs Bogáts, CCO, Budapest Airport. "This announcement introduces our fifth Chinese destination for passenger flights, and we are confident that our new partnership with China Southern Airlines will contribute to strengthening ties between our two regions." Bogáts adds: "This new route will open a myriad of onward connections to South-East Asia, Australia, and New Zealand, not only facilitating tourism and business travel, but also advancing key economic and cultural exchanges between Hungary and China," add Bogáts.

Joining services to Beijing, Chongqing, Ningbo, Shanghai, the airport will offer almost 250,000 two-way seats to China throughout 524, an historic record for Budapest. The weekly non-stop flights between the two countries will increase from 13 to 17 with the new flights.

The airline's base at Guangzhou, will serve as a strategic hub for onward travel to Australia and New Zealand, as well as offering Budapest's passengers convenient options within China and Asia. The scheduled midday departures from Hungary's capital city on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, and Sundays ensure that the flight arrives in Guangzhou the following morning between 7 and 8 am local time, facilitating numerous domestic and international connections.



Photo caption: Budapest Airport will welcome a new airline partner on 27 June, as China Southern Airlines launches a four-times weekly link to Guangzhou.

Notes for Editors

- **Budapest Airport** secured the title of Airports Council International (ACI) Airport Service Quality (ASQ) Best Airport in Europe 2022.
- **Budapest Airport** is the Best Airport in the Region, as recognised by Skytrax for ten consecutive years from 2014 to 2023, based on passenger ratings.
- **Budapest Airport** won title of Routes Europe Marketing Award 2023 (4-20 million passenger category).
- **Budapest Airport** promoted to Skytrax Four-Star Rated Airport 2023
- **Budapest Airport** named ACI EUROPE's Best Airport in Europe 2023 (15-25 million passenger category).
- **Budapest Airport** became the lead airport in terms of passenger growth and together with its airline partners is a key contributor to the development of tourism in Hungary and Budapest. www.bud.hu

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