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Budapest Airport's W17/18 with Ryanair

Having already added 16 new routes so far this year, Budapest Airport has launched W17/18 by celebrating six links with Ryanair in the first few days of the new season. Celebrating the notable addition of the Hungarian gateway's first year-round service to Marrakech, the ultra-low-cost carrier (ULCC) has also expanded its route network from Budapest by commencing twice-weekly services to Palermo, Valencia and Edinburgh and a five times weekly service to Prague, while a three times weekly service to Naples joins the roll call of destinations tomorrow.

Commenting on the ULLC's growth at the airport, Budapest's Head of Airline Development Balázs Bogáts said: "Adding these new services means Ryanair now offers 30 destinations from Budapest helping us work towards our strategic goal to ensure we offer a rich variety of destinations to our customers."

Delivering more than 1.7 million passengers to Hungary's capital city last year, Europe's largest airline (in terms of passenger numbers) has expanded its route network from Budapest by 29% in 2017. Launching the airport's first direct link to Morocco, Ryanair's service to Marrakech provides an in-demand link to a potential market of 30,000 round-trip passengers. Adding the airport's 45th country market, the carrier's route joins existing African links to Egypt, Algeria and Tunisia, meaning Budapest will offer close to 2,500 weekly seats to the region this winter.



Photo caption: Budapest Airport's Head of Airline Development Balázs Bogáts (centre) celebrates the gateway's first year-round service to Marrakech. Launched today the airport's first direct link to Morocco joins Ryanair's five other new services for W17/18 to Palermo, Valencia, Edinburgh, Prague and Naples.

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 September 2017 has exceeded +13.3%.
- Budapest Airport's route development includes:

Launched since May:

- Flybe three times weekly service to London Southend, 4 May 2017;
- Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Astana, 8 June 2017;
- Ukraine International Airlines, daily service to Kiev Boryspil, 15 June 2017;
- TAP Portugal daily service to Lisbon, 2 July 2017;
- Wizz Air twice-weekly service to St Petersburg, 27 August 2017;
- Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Bordeaux, 22 September 2017;
- Ryanair five times weekly service to Prague, 29 October 2017;
- Ryanair twice-weekly service to Palermo, 29 October 2017;
- Ryanair twice-weekly service to Marrakech, 30 October 2017;
- Ryanair twice-weekly service to Valencia, 30 October 2017;
- Ryanair twice-weekly service to Edinburgh, 30 October 2017.

To launch:

- Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Agadir, starting 31 October 2017;
- Ryanair three times weekly service to Naples, starting 31 October 2017;
- Wizz Air daily service to Frankfurt, starting 15 December 2017;
- Wizz Air daily service to Berlin Schönefeld, starting 18 December 2017;
- Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Stavanger, starting 15 March 2018;
- Wizz Air four times weekly service to Athens, starting 25 March 2018;
- Ryanair three times weekly service to Paphos, starting April 2018;
- Ryanair three times weekly service to Santander, starting April 2018;
- Wizz Air five times weekly service to Basel, starting 3 May 2018;
- LOT Polish Airlines four times weekly service to New York (JFK), starting 3 May 2018;
- LOT Polish Airlines twice-weekly service to Chicago, starting 5 May 2018;
- American Airlines daily service to Philadelphia, starting 5 May 2018.

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