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Lufthansa Technik brings new high-tech jobs to Budapest Airport

Budapest, 14 June 2016 Lufthansa Technik AG, Germany's leading aircraft maintenance and engineering company will open a new aircraft engineering center in Budapest adding to its present aircraft maintenance center. The new Budapest-based aircraft engineering services center will focus its activities around the Boeing 737 aircraft - one of the most popular types among narrow-body medium-haul aircraft - and some general non aircraft type related support services.

Lufthansa Technik has been present in Hungary for over fifteen years now and has gradually become a key player in aircraft maintenance and overhaul at Budapest Airport. Lufthansa Technik will add now an engineering center to its field of activity in Budapest. At the present stage this means creating approx. 50 new high-tech aviation engineering jobs whose range of activities will be connected to the Boeing 737 type of narrow-body aircraft, including aircraft system engineering, trouble shooting, maintenance program management and job cards engineering. In addition Lufthansa Technik AG is going to transfer several non-aircraft type related services to the Budapest engineering center like aircraft engine condition monitoring, aircraft flight data and reliability data compilation and technical documentation services. With services like aircraft transition management Lufthansa Technik is committed to provide additional local support to its customer Wizz Air, the largest low-cost airline in Central and Eastern Europe. Budapest was one of four Central and South-Eastern European airports competing to host the new center offering high-value jobs to aviation engineers.

"I see our company decision to create a new aircraft engineering center in Budapest as an acknowledgement of our fifteen years' presence here in Hungary and the strong performance especially in recent years. Lufthansa Technik has become a center of excellence in aviation services at Budapest Airport where major European and overseas airlines will always find reliable partners." remarked Dietmar Focke, Chief Executive Officer of Lufthansa Technik Budapest.

"We are proud and happy that Budapest has become the winner of a very tough competition among European airports." said Róbert Ésik, President of Hungarian Investment Promotion Agency (HIPA). He added: "Highly qualified, well-trained and devoted workforce was one of the factors that influenced Lufthansa Technik's decision positively to broaden their aviation services in Budapest. Hungary is committed to creating favorable business environment for all investors who think for the long-term."

Jost Lammers, CEO of Budapest Airport said upon the announcement: "Budapest Airport sees the opening of the new aviation engineering center as yet another major step in widening the business focus at Hungary's main aviation gateway which ranges from passenger flights and cargo services, retail, property and logistics, aircraft maintenance and now to aircraft engineering. Our partnership with Lufthansa Technik is beneficial to the Hungarian economy by creating high-tech jobs here at the airport."



According to the Lufthansa Technik Project Manager Marcus Knoth the first recruitment process will start in July and interested engineers and technicians are requested to send their job applications online by using the following webpage: www.be-lufthansa.com. Further information about the different jobs will be also given on that webpage. The completion of the first recruitment and the start of operations of the new aircraft engineering center is due before the end of 2016. Further three recruitments will take place between October 2016 and April 2017.

link to photos of Lufthansa Technik present MRO base in Budapest:

https://goo.gl/l1eJgB

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Notes to editors:

Budapest Airport is the best airport in Eastern Europe, as recognized by Skytrax in 2014, 2015 and 2016 based on passenger ratings. Budapest Airport Ltd., the operator of Budapest Ferenc Liszt International Airport is owned by a consortium of German (KFW IPEX-Bank GmbH 5%) Canadian (Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec 20.167%) and Singaporean (Malton Investment Pte Ltd. 22.167%) investors led by AviAlliance GmbH (52.666%). The terminals of the airport were home to 44 airlines, which transported 10.3 million passengers (12.5% growth rate in 2015 vs. 2014) to 95 airports in 36 countries in 2015.

