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Budapest Airport hits 20 with Ryanair and sees in another year with double-digits

The unprecedented increase in passenger numbers recorded over the last five years at Budapest Airport has continued into the New Year, with 13% more passengers travelling through the Hungarian gateway, compared to the first month of 2015. Enhancing the capital city airport's route development, Ryanair has today confirmed the commencement of even more routes from Budapest, by adding a further two services this winter.

Having already announced four new links to begin this summer, Ryanair has now kick-started Budapest's winter season adding daily services to Berlin Schönefeld from 30 October, and Nuremberg from 1 November, making a total of 20 routes from the Hungarian gateway. Currently facing no direct competition on Nuremberg, the low-cost carrier will now be connecting Budapest to Bavaria – home to one of Hungary's largest expat communities, with more than 60,000 Hungarians living in the region.

Commenting on the announcement, Kam Jandu, Chief Commercial Officer, Budapest Airport says: "It is great news that Ryanair will once again be enriching our route network from the winter, even before the summer season has started! We welcome this announcement and are especially pleased to announce that our growing number of indirect passengers from Bavaria will now see a direct link, therefore this service is sure to be a great success."



Photo caption: Ryanair, which launched its first ever link to Israel from Budapest Airport last November, has announced a further two new services to Nuremberg and Berlin this winter, taking the number of routes served by the low-cost carrier from Budapest to 20.

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 52.66% stake, together with Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec (20.17%), Malton
 Investment Pte Ltd. (22.17%) and KfW IPEX-Bank GmbH (5%).
- Budapest Airport welcomed 10.3 million passengers in 2015, flying on the airport's services to 95 destinations across 36 countries.
- Monthly passenger traffic growth in the period to end-January 2016 has exceeded +12%.
- Budapest Airport's route development for 2016 include:
 - Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Nice, starting 11 March 2016;
 - Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Karlsruhe/Baden-Baden, starting 11 March 2016;
 - Ryanair twice-weekly service to Malaga, starting 17 March 2016;
 - o Ryanair twice-weekly service to Malta, starting 19 March 2016;
 - Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Liverpool, starting 27 March 2016;
 - Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Baku, starting 27 March 2016;
 - Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Reykjavik/Keflavik, starting 27 March 2016;
 - Ryanair, weekly service to Gran Canaria, starting 3 April 2016;
 - easyJet thrice-weekly service to Lyon, starting 26 April 2016;
 - o Ryanair, weekly service to Corfu, starting 28 April 2016;
 - o Air Canada rouge, thrice-weekly service to Toronto, starting 9 June 2016;
 - Wizz Air weekly service to Ibiza, starting 18 June 2016;
 - Ellinair weekly service to Thessaloniki, starting 19 June 2016;
 - Wizz Air four times weekly service to Bucharest, starting 19 September 2016;
 - Ryanair daily service to Berlin, starting 30 October 2016;
 - o Ryanair daily service to Nuremberg, starting 1 November 2016.

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