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## Budapest Airport welcomes missing link to Lyon

For some time Lyon had been a highly-desired destination for Budapest Airport, but yesterday saw the Central European airport welcome the inaugural flight of easyJet's thrice-weekly service to France's third biggest city. Celebrating in the now well-known sporting-style of the Hungarian gateway, the low-cost carrier's new link faces no competition, and means the potential of an extra 40,000 passengers for Budapest.

Commenting on the significant development, Kam Jandu, CCO, Budapest Airport said: "Last year we recorded an indirect traffic flow of 20,000 passengers to Lyon, a steady year-on-year increase which more than demonstrated the vast potential for both business and leisure travellers on this route. Our dedicated promotion of this prospective market has come to fruition and we look forward to welcoming easyJet's passengers on this important link."



Photo caption: Welcoming easyJet's thrice-weekly service to Lyon yesterday, Budapest Airport's Andrea Trencsén, Head of Marketing and Innovation (centre), celebrated with the crew in the sporting-style of the Hungarian gateway.

### 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-March 2016 has exceeded +13%.
- Budapest Airport's route development for 2016 include:

Already launched:

- Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Nice, 11 March 2016;
- Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Karlsruhe/Baden-Baden, 11 March 2016;
- Ryanair twice-weekly service to Malaga, 17 March 2016;
- Ryanair twice-weekly service to Malta, 19 March 2016;
- Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Liverpool, 23 March 2016;
- Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Reykjavik/Keflavik, 24 March 2016;
- Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Baku, 24 March 2016;
- Ryanair, weekly service to Gran Canaria, 3 April 2016;
- easyJet thrice-weekly service to Lyon, 26 April 2016.

To launch:

- Ryanair, weekly service to Corfu, starting 28 April 2016;
- Air Canada rouge, thrice-weekly service to Toronto, starting 11 June 2016;
- Wizz Air weekly service to Ibiza, starting 18 June 2016;
- Ellinair weekly service to Thessaloniki, starting 19 June 2016;
- Asiana Airlines weekly service to Seoul Incheon, starting 1 July;
- Wizz Air four times weekly service to Bucharest, starting 19 September 2016;
- Ryanair daily service to Berlin, starting 30 October 2016;
- Ryanair daily service to Nuremburg, starting 1 November 2016;
- Wizz Air thrice-weekly service to Sofia, starting 1 November 2016.

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