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## Budapest Airport's growing Ukrainian union

Ukraine International Airlines, the Eastern European country's flag carrier, yesterday launched its first operation from Budapest Airport with its daily link to Kiev Boryspil. Welcoming the inaugural flight with a ceremonial water arch and celebratory cake, Budapest's latest airline partner unites the Hungarian gateway with Ukraine's largest airport once again, having not served Boryspil since 2012.

Utilising its fleet of two-class 737-800s, Ukraine International Airlines' service to Boryspil will complement Budapest's existing link to Kiev Zhulyany, with the Hungarian airport now offering more than 2,500 weekly seats to the Ukraine. "With transfers now made possible from Kiev to Almaty, Amman, Bangkok and Tehran, local travellers will also have convenient connections through our newest carrier's domestic network," explains Jost Lammers, CEO, Budapest Airport.



Photo caption: Celebrating its reunion with Ukraine's largest airport, Jost Lammers, CEO, Budapest Airport cuts the celebratory cake for Ukraine International Airlines' inaugural Kiev Boryspil flight with: Toeodóra Bán, Director Executive, BFTK Budapest Festival and Tourism Centre; Yuri Miroshniko, President, Ukraine International Airlines; and Nepop Luibov, Ambassador of Ukraine in Hungary.

## 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 May 2017 has exceeded +12.2%.
- Budapest Airport's route development includes:

### Already launched:

- easyJet three times weekly service to Amsterdam, 6 February 2017;
- Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Faro, 1 April 2017;
- Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Skopje, 2 April 2017;
- Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Podgorica, 3 April 2017;
- Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Tirana, 5 April 2017;
- Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Sarajevo, 5 April 2017;
- Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Pristina, 7 April 2017;
- Wizz Air four times weekly service to Hannover, 10 April 2017;
- Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Bergen, 10 April 2017;
- Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Lamezia Terme, starting 12 April 2017;
- Flybe three times weekly service to London Southend, starting 4 May 2017;
- Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Astana, starting 8 June 2017;
- Ukraine International Airlines, daily service to Kiev Boryspil, starting 15 June 2017.

### To launch:

- TAP Portugal daily service to Lisbon, starting 2 July 2017;
- Wizz Air, twice-weekly service to St Petersburg, starting 27 August 2017;
- Wizz Air, twice-weekly service to Bordeaux, starting 22 September 2017;
- Ryanair twice-weekly service to Lviv, starting 25 October 2017;
- Ryanair five times weekly service to Prague, starting 29 October 2017;
- Ryanair twice-weekly service to Palermo, starting 29 October 2017;
- Ryanair twice-weekly service to Marrakech, starting 30 October 2017;
- Ryanair twice-weekly service to Valencia, starting 30 October 2017;
- Ryanair twice-weekly service to Edinburgh, starting 30 October 2017;
- Ryanair twice-weekly service to Naples, starting 30 October 2017;
- Wizz Air daily service to Frankfurt, starting 15 December 2017.

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