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Wizz Air adds Porto to Budapest Airport's route network

Hungary's capital city airport has celebrated the arrival of its latest year-round sun connection with the launch of Wizz Air's twice-weekly service to Portugal's second largest airport, Porto. Recording healthy passenger numbers on its Lisbon service launched last March, the ultra-low-cost-carrier's added its second Portuguese link from Budapest on Sunday 4 September.

Experiencing a 43% increase in indirect passengers to and from Porto last year, the coastal city shows a potential market of 16,000 passengers for Budapest. Using its A320 fleet, Wizz Air connects the Hungarian gateway to Porto for the first time, facing no direct competition on either of its Portuguese services.

Welcoming the home-based carrier's new route, Kam Jandu, CCO, Budapest Airport commented: "The high number of indirect passengers makes us confident that this route is going to be a great success for Wizz Air, serving as the perfect city break for both Hungarian and Portuguese passengers".



Photo caption: The perfect city break: (back row) Sándor Saly, Senior Airline Development Manager, Budapest Airport and Gábor Vásárhelyi, Corporate Communications Manager, Wizz Air, welcomes the home-based carrier's new year-round sun connection to Portugal's coastal city, Porto.

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 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-August 2016 has exceeded +5.9%.
- Budapest Airport's route development for 2016 include:

Launched since April:

- Ryanair, weekly service to Gran Canaria, 3 April 2016;
- easyJet thrice-weekly service to Lyon, 26 April 2016;
- Ryanair, weekly service to Corfu, 28 April 2016.
- Air Canada Rouge, thrice-weekly service to Toronto, 11 June 2016;
- Wizz Air weekly service to Ibiza, 18 June 2016;
- Bulgaria Air four-times weekly service to Sofia, 20 June;
- Asiana Airlines weekly service to Seoul Incheon, 1 July;
- Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Varna, 3 August;
- Ryanair daily service to Berlin, 2 September 2016;
- Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Porto, 4 September 2016.

To launch:

- Air Algerie twice-weekly service to Algeria, starting 15 September 2015;
- Wizz Air four times weekly service to Bucharest, starting 19 September 2016;
- Wizz Air weekly service to Fuerteventura, starting 30 October 2016;
- EasyJet thrice-weekly service to Venice Marco Polo, starting 31 October 2016;
- Ryanair daily service to Nuremberg, starting 1 November 2016;
- Wizz Air weekly service to Lanzarote, starting 2 November 2016;
- Wizz Air thrice-weekly service to Sofia, starting 1 November 2016.

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