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## Jambo! Cologne Bonn's South African salutation

Coming just a few months after Cologne Bonn added Namibia to its African route network with Eurowings, the Lufthansa group carrier has commenced the airport's first connection to South Africa. Launching low-cost long-haul services to Cape Town from the German gateway yesterday, the 9,490-kilometre sector will be flown weekly using the airline's 306-seat A330s.

"Cape Town is another spectacular long-distance destination for our passengers," enthuses Michael Garvens, Chairman of the Management Board, Cologne Bonn. "Travellers who want to fly comfortably and non-stop to the South African metropolis now have the exclusive opportunity from Cologne Bonn as our direct connections to Cape Town and Windhoek are unique in the North Rhine-Westphalia region," adds Garvens.

As South Africa becomes Cologne Bonn's sixth African country market to be served, Eurowings' operation joins the airport's existing links to Egypt, Mauritius, Morocco, Namibia and Tunisia. A result of this capacity expansion sees Cologne Bonn now offer over 4,000 weekly one-way seats to eight destinations on its African network. South Africa also becomes Cologne Bonn's 48<sup>th</sup> country market to be served during 2017.



**Photo caption:** Cologne Bonn welcomes its first connection to South Africa. Ulrich Stiller, VP Sales and Marketing, Cologne Bonn Airport and Thomas Labonde, VP Marketing and Customer Relations, Eurowings celebrated the Lufthansa group carrier's inaugural flight yesterday.

#### Notes for Editors

- Flughafen Köln/Bonn GmbH is the operator of Cologne Bonn Airport. The public enterprise is owned by a consortium of shareholders, jointly-led by the Federal Republic of Germany (30.94%), and the Federal State of North Rhine-Westphalia (30.94%), together with the City of Cologne (31.12%), the City of Bonn (6.06%), the Rhein-Sieg district (0.59%), and the Rheinisch Bergisch district (0.35%).
- Cologne Bonn Airport welcomed 11.9 million passengers in 2016, flying on the airport's services to 126 destinations across 44 countries, and handled 786,000 tonnes of cargo.
- Cologne Bonn Airport's route development 2017 includes:  
 Launched since June:
  - Eurowings three times weekly service to Las Vegas, 2 June 2017;
  - Eurowings weekly service to Karpathos, 5 June 2017;
  - Eurowings weekly service to Preveza, 5 June 2017;
  - Eurowings weekly service to Enfidha, 7 June 2017;
  - Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Košice, 25 June 2017;
  - Eurowings twice-weekly service to Orlando, 8 July 2017;
  - Eurowings twice-weekly service to Seattle, 11 July 2017;
  - Eurowings twice-weekly service to Windhoek, 12 July 2017;
  - TAP Portugal double-daily service to Lisbon, 15 July 2017;
  - Eurowings weekly service to Ordu-Giresun, 6 August 2017;
  - Air Arabia Maroc twice-weekly service to Agadir, 2 October 2017;
  - Eurowings up to four daily to Munich, 29 October 2017;
  - Ryanair four times weekly service to Bristol, 29 October 2017;
  - Ryanair daily service to Manchester, 29 October 2017;
  - Ryanair twice-weekly service to Vitoria, 30 October 2017;

- Ryanair twice-weekly service to Marrakech, 30 October 2017;
- Ryanair twice-weekly service to Vilnius, 1 November 2017.
- Ryanair twice-weekly service to Bologna, 1 November 2017;
- Ryanair twice-weekly service to Seville, 2 November 2017;
- Ryanair twice-weekly service to Venice Treviso, 2 November 2017;
- Eurowings weekly service to Cape Town, 5 November 2017.

To launch:

- Eurowings weekly service to Funchal, starting 11 November 2017;
- Eurowings weekly service to Monastir, starting 28 March 2018.

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