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## Cologne Bonn celebrates Ellinair's first flight

Cologne Bonn Airport welcomed the inaugural flight of its new airline partner, Ellinair on 8 April. Operated by its A319s, the new three times weekly service to Thessaloniki will be the German airport's second link to Greece's second largest city.

"We are very happy to welcome our new Greek airline partner, Ellinair. The carrier's service strengthens our connections to one of this year's most important tourist markets," says Michael Garvens, Chairman of the Management Board, Cologne Bonn Airport.

Serving 38 cities in 11 countries, Ellinair will link Cologne Bonn to the airport's sixth largest country market. As a result of the airline's introduction on the city pair, capacity to Thessaloniki will increase by 37%, giving the city the most weekly frequencies and seats of all Greek services from Cologne Bonn.



**Photo caption:** Cologne Bonn Airport marks the launch of Ellinair's three times weekly service to Thessaloniki. "Our new partner's link strengthens Cologne Bonn's connections to a hugely important market," states Michael Garvens, Chairman of the Management Board, Cologne Bonn Airport.

## 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:
  - Already launched:
    - Eurowings three times weekly service to Sylt, 26 March 2017;
    - Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Craiova, 27 March 2017;
    - Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Tuzla, 27 March 2017;
    - Ellinair three times weekly service to Thessaloniki, 8 April 2017.
  - To launch:
    - Stobart Air, operated by Flybe, six times weekly service to London-Southend, starting 1 May 2017;
    - Eurowings weekly service to Zakynthos, starting 6 May 2017;
    - Eurowings three times weekly service to Las Vegas, starting 2 June 2017;
    - Eurowings weekly service to Karpathos, starting 5 June 2017;
    - Eurowings weekly service to Preveza, starting 5 June 2017;
    - Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Košice, starting 25 June 2017;
    - Eurowings twice-weekly service to Orlando, starting 8 July 2017;
    - Eurowings twice-weekly service to Seattle, starting 11 July 2017;
    - Eurowings twice-weekly service to Windhoek, starting 12 July 2017;
    - TAP Portugal double-daily service to Lisbon, starting 15 July 2017;
    - Eurowings weekly service to Grenoble, starting 29 October 2017;
    - Ryanair four times weekly service to Bristol, starting 29 October 2017;
    - Ryanair daily service to Manchester, starting 29 October 2017;
    - Ryanair twice-weekly service to Vilnius, starting 1 November 2017.
    - Ryanair twice-weekly service to Bologna, starting 1 November 2017;
    - Ryanair twice-weekly service to Seville, starting 2 November 2017;
    - Ryanair twice-weekly service to Venice Treviso, starting 2 November 2017;
    - Eurowings twice-weekly service to Innsbruck, starting 2 December 2017.

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