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Small Planet Airlines adds Cologne Bonn's fourth Polish point

Announcing the arrival of its 31st airline partner, Cologne Bonn Airport has confirmed Small Planet Airlines will be the latest carrier joining the gateway's roll call this summer. Basing an aircraft at the German airport, the Lithuanian leisure airline will be starting six new routes on behalf of FTI Touristik, including a new point on Cologne Bonn's route map – Olsztyn-Mazury in Poland.

“The tourism business is an important pillar for us. With an ambitious airline such as Small Planet Airlines coming to our airport, the offer for leisure travellers from Cologne Bonn Airport is enriched,” says Athanasios Titonis, Managing Director, Cologne Bonn Airport.

Set to commence a seasonal weekly connection to north-east Poland from 3 July, Small Planet Airlines' new link will be joining Cologne Bonn's established Polish connections to Warsaw Modlin, Katowice and Gdansk. As a result of its latest new destination, the North Rhine-Westphalia airport will offer close to 66,000 seats to Poland during S18, strengthening its position as Cologne Bonn's 11th largest country market to be served this season.

The extra capacity from the airline's based aircraft will allow for five additional charter routes to be launched from Cologne Bonn, starting on 1 May with a weekly service to Agadir. Routes to Hurghada, Marsa Alam, Rhodes and Antalya follow in quick succession. With the exception of the Egyptian links being a twice-weekly service, the remaining three routes will be flown weekly on the airline's A320s.

Witnessing a 6% increase in passenger traffic last month, Cologne Bonn's Q1 monthly traffic has seen healthy growth with the German gateway handling more than 2.4 million passengers so far in 2018.

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 12.4 million passengers in 2017, flying on the airport's services to 142 destinations across 48 countries, and handled 838,000 tonnes of cargo.

Cologne Bonn Airport's route development 2018 includes:

Already launched:

- Pobeda twice-weekly service to St. Petersburg, 17 February 2018;
- Georgian Airways twice-weekly service to Tbilisi, starting 27 March 2018;
- Eurowings weekly service to Monastir, starting 28 March 2018;

To launch:

- Condor weekly service to Rhodes, starting 30 April 2018;
- Condor weekly service to Djerba, starting 1 May 2018;
- Condor weekly service to Kos, starting 1 May 2018;
- Small Planet Airlines weekly service to Agadir, starting 1 May 2018;
- Condor weekly service to Irakleion, starting 2 May 2018;
- Condor three times weekly service to Antalya, starting 2 May 2018;
- Small Planet Airlines twice-weekly service to Hurghada, starting 2 May 2018;
- Condor weekly service to Funchal, starting 3 May 2018;
- Condor weekly service to Corfu, starting 4 May 2018;
- Condor weekly service to Gran Canaria, starting 4 May 2018;
- Small Planet Airlines weekly service to Marsa Alam, starting 4 May 2018;
- Condor weekly service to Fuerteventura, starting 5 May 2018;
- Condor weekly service to Monastir, starting 6 May 2018;
- TUIfly weekly service to Malta, starting 6 May 2018;
- Condor weekly service to Lanzarote, starting 7 May 2018;
- TUIfly weekly service to Trieste, starting 13 May 2018;
- easyJet 33 times weekly service to Berlin Tegel, starting 1 June 2018;
- VLM Airlines five times weekly service to Rostock and Antwerp, starting 4 June 2018;
- SunExpress Germany weekly service to Ankara, starting 16 June 2018;
- Small Planet Airlines weekly service to Olsztyn-Mazury, starting 3 July 2018.

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