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TAP Portugal becomes Cologne Bonn's third new airline this year

Cologne Bonn Airport welcomes yet another new airline partner today and confirms that Portuguese flag carrier TAP Portugal will join the German airport later this summer. Launching its inaugural route to Lisbon from Cologne Bonn, the Star Alliance carrier will be commencing a double-daily service from 15 July.

Significantly boosting Cologne Bonn's links to Portugal's capital city, the airport's new carrier adds a number of important onward destinations from its hub with almost 85 connections across Europe, Africa and America. Operated by TAP Portugal's 106-seat E190, the new link means the gateway will offer a total of 2,702 weekly seats to Lisbon, the carrier immediately gaining a 26% share of all weekly flights to Portugal.

Commenting on the significant announcement, Michael Garvens, Chairman of the Management Board, Cologne Bonn Airport, said: "We're very pleased to be part of the TAP network" He added: "Our new airline partner flies to numerous destinations in Africa and South America via its Lisbon hub, and now passengers at Cologne Bonn can benefit from easy onward connections with TAP Portugal."



Photo caption: TAP Portugal announced as Cologne Bonn Airport's latest airline addition, confirming double-daily service to Lisbon from 15 July.

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 129 destinations across 44 countries, and handled 786,000 tonnes of cargo.
- Average passenger traffic growth in the period to end-January 2017 has exceeded +8% (745,098 passengers).
- Cologne Bonn Airport's route development 2017 includes:
 - To launch:
 - Eurowings three times weekly service to Sylt, starting 26 March 2017;
 - Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Craiova, starting 27 March 2017;
 - Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Tuzla, starting 27 March 2017;
 - Ellinair three times weekly service to Thessaloniki, starting 8 April 2017;
 - 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 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;
 - Ryanair four times weekly service to Bristol, starting winter 2017/18;
 - Ryanair twice-weekly service to Bologna, starting winter 2017/18;
 - Ryanair daily service to Manchester, starting winter 2017/18;
 - Ryanair twice-weekly service to Seville, starting winter 2017/18;
 - Ryanair twice-weekly service to Venice, starting winter 2017/18;
 - Ryanair twice-weekly service to Vilnius, starting winter 2017/18.