

▶ Cologne, 1 June 2018

Flughafen Köln/Bonn GmbH  
Postfach 98 01 20  
51129 Cologne  
Germany

T + 49 (0) 22 03 - 40-33 33  
F + 49 (0) 22 03 - 40-27 45  
presse@cologne-bonn-airport.de

## Cologne Bonn's capital gains with easyJet

Cologne Bonn Airport has today celebrated the arrival of easyJet's inaugural flight to Germany's capital city. Taking the number of operations from the North Rhine-Westphalia gateway to Berlin Tegel up to at least 15 daily services, the low-cost carrier (LCC) immediately becomes the 10<sup>th</sup> largest carrier – in terms of seats – at Cologne Bonn this summer.

Commenting on the arrival of the airport's 30<sup>th</sup> airline partner, Johan Vanneste, CEO, Cologne Bonn Airport says: "The connection between Cologne Bonn and Berlin is one of our busiest routes. We are very pleased to be able to offer our passengers even more choice on this route thanks to easyJet's commitment."

Marking the return of easyJet to its carrier roll call after a two-year hiatus, Cologne Bonn welcomed the first flight with a traditional cake in celebration. Adding 33 weekly flights to Germany's largest city, the LCC significantly boosts the airport's domestic connections, resulting in Cologne Bonn offering close to 20,000 weekly seats to Berlin Tegel in S18 (according to OAG Schedules Analyser, week commencing 10 September).

Thomas Haagensen, Group Markets Director, easyJet comments: "We are delighted to include Cologne Bonn Airport in our route network. The new route to Berlin Tegel is an attractive connection for leisure and business travellers alike." He added: "With our extensive European and domestic route network, all with attractive and frequent flights, we have increased our share of business travellers to 75% of the DAX30 companies in Germany, and this number continues to grow. Particularly on our German domestic routes, business travellers already account for 41% of our passengers."

easyJet will be operating the 463-kilometre sector using its fleet of A320s based at Berlin Tegel and joins Eurowings' established link to the capital.



**Photo caption:** Cologne Bonn Airport marks the return of easyJet. Celebrating the low-cost carrier's inaugural flight to Germany's capital city are: Chi Mee Yuen, Manager Business Development & Aviation Marketing, Cologne Bonn Airport; easyJet crew; Tobias Lyssy, Director of Business Development & Aviation Marketing, Cologne Bonn Airport; Alexandra Stöpfer, Ground Operations Manager, easyJet; Claudine Mischel, Manager Business Development & Aviation Marketing, Cologne Bonn Airport; and Jan Moeller, Head of Business Development & Aviation Marketing, 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 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, 27 March 2018;
- Eurowings weekly service to Monastir, 28 March 2018;
- Condor weekly service to Rhodes, 30 April 2018;
- Condor weekly service to Djerba, 1 May 2018;
- Condor weekly service to Kos, 1 May 2018;
- Small Planet Airlines weekly service to Agadir, 1 May 2018;
- Condor weekly service to Irakleion, 2 May 2018;

- Condor three times weekly service to Antalya, 2 May 2018;
- Small Planet Airlines twice-weekly service to Hurgada, 2 May 2018;
- Condor weekly service to Funchal, 3 May 2018;
- Condor weekly service to Corfu, 4 May 2018;
- Condor weekly service to Gran Canaria, 4 May 2018;
- Small Planet Airlines twice-weekly service to Marsa Alam, 4 May 2018;
- Condor weekly service to Fuerteventura, 5 May 2018;
- Condor weekly service to Monastir, 6 May 2018;
- TUIfly weekly service to Malta, 6 May 2018;
- Condor weekly service to Lanzarote, 7 May 2018;
- Small Planet Airlines weekly service to Rhodes, 7 May 2018;
- TUIfly weekly service to Trieste, 13 May 2018;
- Corendon Airlines twice-weekly service to Gazipasa, 18 May 2018;
- easyJet 33 times weekly service to Berlin Tegel, 1 June 2018;
- LaudaMotion 21 weekly service to Palma de Mallorca, starting 1 June 2018.

To launch:

- VLM Airlines five times weekly service to Rostock and Antwerp, starting 4 June 2018;
- SunExpress Germany weekly service to Ankara, starting 16 June 2018;
- SunExpress Germany weekly service to Gazipasa, starting 21 June 2018;
- Small Planet Airlines weekly service to Antalya, starting 28 June 2018;
- Eurowings twice-weekly service to Osijek, starting 1 July 2018;;
- Eurowings weekly service to Malaga, starting 7 July 2018;
- Nouvelair Tunisie weekly service to Monastir, starting 18 July 2018.

**PPS Publications, Media & Events** on behalf of Cologne Bonn Airport:  
 Kerry Parks, Account Manager Aviation Development PR  
 (44) 1293 783851 or [kerry@pps-publications.com](mailto:kerry@pps-publications.com)