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Keflavik Airport quickly fills lost German capacity

Keflavik Airport marks the development of its German connections with the launch of Icelandair's inaugural flight to Berlin Tegel today. Despite the recent loss of airberlin from its airline roll call, the Icelandic airport is experiencing an immediate reaction to fill lost capacity, celebrating the decision by its home-based a three times weekly service to Berlin's main international airport.

As Keflavik's third largest country market, behind only the UK and the US, the gateway currently has nearly 6,400 weekly seats on offer to Germany. With connections spread across five of the country's airports, Keflavik is linked to Frankfurt, Munich, Berlin Schönefeld, Berlin Tegel and Hamburg. Filling the gap left by the loss of the airberlin's capacity, Icelandair's latest operation joins its existing daily flights to Frankfurt and Munich, and a twice-weekly service to Hamburg. Iceland's low-cost carrier, WOW air, also operates daily links to Frankfurt and Berlin Schönefeld, so Icelandic carriers now have almost 95% of all scheduled seats from Keflavik to Germany – the remaining 5% operated by Lufthansa from Frankfurt.

Hlynur Sigurdsson, Commercial Director, Keflavik Airport states: "Today's launch is a very clear signal that we're committed to ensure our passengers continue to experience optimum choice and feel no effect of recent losses. We worked quickly with Icelandair to fill the gap in one of our strongest countries markets, and alongside our other closely-held airline partners, we're ardent in our approach to meet demand."

Utilising carrier's fleet of 183-seat 757-200s on its new link to Berlin Tegel, the 2,404-kilometre sector becomes Icelandair's 32nd destination from Keflavik.



Photo caption: Keflavik Airport experiences an immediate reaction to fill lost airberlin capacity as Icelandair's three times weekly service to Berlin Tegel launched today to join the airline's existing services to Germany which is Keflavik's third largest country market.

Notes for Editors

- Isavia handles the operation and development of all airports in Iceland, including its four international airports – Keflavik, Reykjavik, Akureyri and Egilsstaðir.
- Keflavik welcomed more than 6.8 million passengers in 2016, flying on the airport's scheduled services to 100 destinations across 27 countries. This year the airport serves 112 destinations across 30 countries.
- Monthly passenger traffic growth at Keflavik in June 2017 was 22%.
- Keflavik won anna.aero's Euro ANNIE award for the fastest growing airport in Europe in the 5-10 million annual passenger category in July 2017.
- Keflavik's route development includes:
 - Already launched:
 - Thomson Airways twice-weekly service to East Midlands, 25 January 2017;
 - Air Iceland Connect daily service to Akureyri, 24 February 2017;
 - Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Katowice, 10 March 2017;
 - Finnair four times weekly service to Helsinki, 11 April 2017;
 - WOW air three times weekly service to Cork, 19 May 2017;
 - Icelandair four times weekly service to Philadelphia, 30 May 2017;
 - Primera Air Nordic weekly service to Trieste, 30 May 2017;
 - Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Prague, 31 May 2017;
 - Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Wroclaw, 31 May 2017;
 - Czech Airlines twice-weekly service to Prague, 1 June 2017;
 - Air Iceland Connect three times weekly service to Belfast City, 1 June 2017;
 - WOW air four times weekly service to Brussels, 2 June 2017;
 - Norwegian twice-weekly service to Alicante, 5 June 2017;
 - WOW air five times weekly service to Pittsburgh, 16 June 2017;

- Air Canada Rouge four times weekly service to Toronto Pearson, 21 June 2017;
- Air Canada Rouge three times weekly service to Montreal, 23 June 2017;
- Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Riga, 25 June 2017;
- Germania twice-weekly service to Dresden, 28 June 2017;
- Germania twice-weekly service to Nuremberg, 28 June 2017;
- WOW air four times weekly service to Chicago O'Hare, 13 July 2017;
- Icelandair twice-weekly service to Tampa, 6 September 2017;
- WOW air four times weekly service to Tel Aviv, 12 September 2017;
- British Airways twice-weekly service to London City, 29 October 2017;
- Icelandair three times weekly service to Berlin Tegel, 3 November 2017.

To launch:

- WOW air four times weekly service to Detroit, 25 April 2018;
- WOW air daily service to London Stansted, 25 April 2018;
- Wizz Air three times weekly service to Poznan, 31 March 2018;
- WOW air four times weekly service to Cleveland, 3 May 2018;
- Icelandair six times weekly service to Dublin, 8 May 2018;
- WOW air four times weekly service to Cincinnati, 9 May 2018;
- Icelandair four times weekly service to Cleveland, 16 May 2018;
- WOW air four times weekly service to St. Louis, 17 May 2018;
- WOW air three times weekly service to Dallas/Fort Worth, 23 May 2018;
- United Airlines daily service to Newark, 23 May 2018.

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