



2018 REVIEW

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- Jet2 extends the period of its operation from Pafos with 2 weekly flight to Stansted. →
- Wizzair extends its operation from Larnaka with 2 weekly flights to Cluj and Varna. →
- A reduction of 6.7% and 2.6% in Carbon Dioxide Emissions is recorded for Larnaka and Pafos Airport respectively, over the previous year.



JANUARY

- 1/1/2018
- Eamonn Brennan takes office as Director General of EUROCONTROL ↓



Source: EUROCONTROL

- 2/1/2018
- KLM introduces films with audio description for blind and visually impaired passengers
- Fraport Brasil begins operations at Fortaleza and Porto Alegre Airports
- 5/1/2018
- Turkish Airlines announces a commitment to order 20+5 A350, talks with Airbus started

- 6/1/2018
- Qatar Airways brings its Qsuite to the U.S. Capital

- 10/1/2018
- New Top Management appointed at Airbus China Eric Chen becomes Chairman and George Xu CEO of Airbus China

- 15/1/2018
- Norwegian has set a new record time for the fastest ever transatlantic flight by a subsonic passenger aircraft this week using the Boeing 787-9 Dreamliner
- Norwegian flight DY7014 from New York JFK to London Gatwick on Monday 15 January completed the full duration of the flight in 5 hours and 13 minutes – the fastest transatlantic flight recorded on a subsonic commercial aircraft. The previous record was 5 hours and 16 minutes ↓



Source: Norwegian

- Qatar Airways brings Airbus A350 to Greece for the first time ↓



Source: ATN

- Ryanair: New Cabin Bag Policy goes Live
- Malaysia Airlines launches inaugural A350 XWB service to London
- 16/1/2018
- Ethiopian Partners with Zambian Government for the Re-launch of the National Carrier and to develop Lusaka as an aviation hub for Southern Africa
- Bahrain condemns interception of Qatari fighter aircrafts against United Arab Emirates civilian flight to Bahrain

- 17/1/2018
- A new record 4.1 billion passengers were carried by the aviation industry on scheduled services in 2017, according to the preliminary figures released today by the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)
- SESAR project shows how aircraft separation methods can increase runway capacity
- Brisbane Airport Corporation appoints new Chief Executive Officer
- Boeing, Adient launch New Company to Design and build airplane seats

- 18/1/2018
- Emirates orders 36 A380s worth US\$ 16 billion

- 22/1/2018
- Boeing's 787-10 Dreamliner cleared for commercial service by Federal Aviation Administration
- ATR and NAC sign a deal for 15 ATR -600s to be operated by Florida-based carrier Silver Airways

- 24/1/2018
- JAL Group Announce Changes to the Position of Representative Director, President
- Airbus launches iflyA380 augmented reality iOS app

- 25/1/2018
- Geneva and Galapagos Airports become carbon neutral

JANUARY

- ▶26/1/2018
 - 100- to 150-Seat Large Civil Aircraft from Canada Do Not Injure U.S. Industry, Says USITC
- ▶28/1/2018
 - Establishment and Launching of a Single African Air Transport Market (SAATM)
 - The Single African Air Transport Market will be formally established and launched on the 28 January 2018 on the margins of the African Union Summit in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
- ▶29/1/2018
 - WestJet heads to Paris and London from Halifax
 - Qantas: The world's first US-Australia dedicated biofuel flight takes off
 - Airports call for speedy adoption of a European rulebook for drones
- ▶30/1/2018
 - Boeing, TUI Group celebrate delivery of the tourism operator's First 737 MAX 8

- ▶31/1/2018
 - Boeing delivers First 737 MAX for Oman Air
 - First A321LR successfully completes maiden flight ↓



Source: Airbus

FEBRUARY

► 1/2/2018

- UPS today announced it has ordered 14 Boeing 747-8 cargo jets and four new Boeing 767 aircraft
- The International Air Transport Association (IATA) announced global passenger traffic results for 2017 showing that demand (revenue passenger kilometers or RPKs) for the year ended 31 December rose 7.6% compared to 2016

► 5/2/2018

- ICAO and Singapore formalize joint agreement supporting Next Generation Aviation Professionals
- New A330-800 rolls-out of paintshop
- Boeing debuts first 737 MAX 7

► 6/2/2018

- DXB retains #1 rank for international traffic
- Lufthansa and Austrian Airlines introduce "preferred seat zone" on long-haul flights
- The United States and Singapore deepen long-standing Bilateral cooperation in civil aviation

► 7/2/2018

- Heritage meets the future. Lufthansa presents a new brand design ↓



Source: Lufthansa

- Boeing 737 MAX 10 reaches firm configuration

► 11/2/2018

- Emirates firms up order for up to 36 additional A380s
- EASA issues emergency AD on certain PW1000G powered Airbus A320neo and A321 neo aircraft
- Saratov Airlines Antonov An-148-100 accident. Antonov An-148, operated by Saratov Airlines, is crashed after takeoff from Moscow's Domodedovo Airport, Russia

► 13/2/2018

- ALPA, A4A, NATCA Urge Congress to allow Full FAA Regulation of all UAS
- Bordeaux January Traffic Statistics - International traffic up 24% in January

► 14/2/2018

- Qantas has today unveiled a special livery honouring Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians on its latest Boeing 787-9 Dreamliner ↓



Source: Qantas

► 15/2/2018

- Air Serbia commemorates 90 years since first flight ↓



Source: Air Serbia

► 16/2/2018

- EASA publishes the 2018-2022 European Plan for Aviation Safety
- Qantas and Emirates welcome the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission's (ACCC) draft determination that proposes to grant authorisation for their partnership for another five years
- Boeing 737 MAX 9 awarded FAA Certification
- The 2018 Air Transport Awards finalists announced

► 18/2/2018

- Iran Aseman Airlines flight 3704 from Tehran to Yasuj, Iran, crashed into Mount Dena, south of Isfahan

► 19/2/2018

- MAXimum Comfort, MAXimum efficiency United Airlines to start Boeing 737 MAX 9 Service

FEBRUARY

►20/2/2018

- Qatar Airways today celebrated the delivery of the world's first Airbus A350-1000 as the aircraft's global launch customer ↓



Source: Airbus

►22/2/2018

- The International Air Transport Association (IATA) released data for the 2017 safety performance of the commercial airline industry showing continued strong improvements in safety
- The all accident rate (measured in accidents per 1 million flights) was 1.08, an improvement over the all accident rate of 1.68 in 2016 and the rate of 2.01 for the previous 5-year period (2012-2016)
- IATA member airlines experienced zero fatal accidents or hull losses in 2017 with jet or turboprop equipment

►26/2/2018

- Norwegian continues Ireland expansion with double-daily Dublin-New York flights
- The International Air transport Association (IATA) set out an aim for one billion passengers to fly on flights powered by a mix of jet fuel and sustainable aviation fuel (SAF) by 2025

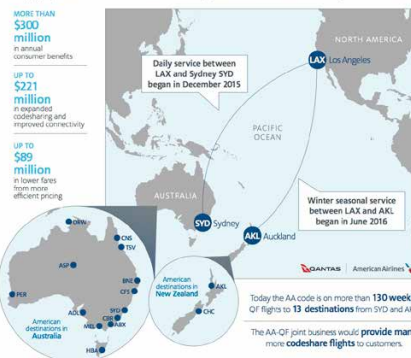
►27/2/2018

- BULATSA and IATA to Develop an Airspace Strategy for Bulgaria
- American Airlines and Qantas have filed an application with the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) seeking approval to form a joint business to better serve customers flying between North America and Australia and New Zealand ↓

American-Qantas joint business

Unleashing competition and consumer choice

The American-Qantas joint business will stimulate significant demand for new travel – generating up to 180,000 new trips between the U.S. and Australia and New Zealand every year. It will also allow American and Qantas to launch additional routes and encourage investments in lounges, baggage systems and other infrastructure designed to better serve the carriers' joint customers.



►28/2/2018

- Mayor Emanuel Introduces Historic Plan to Transform O'Hare International Airport and Create Billions in Economic Development
- Airports Council International (ACI) World reported global passenger traffic up 5.7% in December 2017 on a year over year basis. For the year as a whole, preliminary numbers show an increase of 6.4% in passenger volumes across the world's airports. Growth has above 6% for the third year in a row.
- Cluj "Avram Iancu" International Airport reached almost 3 million passengers in 2017
- The first Ultra Long Range version of the A350 XWB has rolled out of the Airbus final assembly line in Toulouse

- Ryanair continues its network expansion with a third aircraft based at Pafos Airport and the introduction of new routes to Amman, Bergamo, Bratislava, Bucharest, Budapest, Dublin, Riga, Sofia and Tallinn. →
- A 13% traffic growth is recorded during Q1, denoting the continuous growth during the winter months.



MARCH

►6/3/2018

- ACI World announces the world's top airports for customer experience in 2017
- Boeing, Hawaiian Airlines announce purchase of 10 787 Dreamliners

►8/3/2018

- WestJet today announced Gregg Saretsky, President and CEO, has advised the time has come for him to retire from the company
- American Airlines applauds Brazilian Senate ratification of Open Skies Agreement with United States

►9/3/2018

- Turkish Airlines closes Airbus and Boeing orders

►12/3/2018

- Dick Benschop new CEO Schiphol
- US-Bangla Airlines flight BS211, a DHC-8-Q400 (S2-AGU) crashed on landing at Kathmandu, Nepal

►13/3/2018

- Boeing recognized by GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS™ for 10,000th 737
- Wizz Air today starts the biggest operational ramp-up across its network in Wizz Air's history
- Appointment at Finavia: Joni Sundelin to lead Helsinki Airport

►15/3/2018

- ICAO Council adopts new Amendment enabling more integrated and responsive global air traffic management
- Lufthansa Supervisory Board extends contract of Carsten Spohr ↓



Source: Lufthansa

►16/3/2018

- Fang Liu reappointed Secretary General of ICAO for a second term
- ACI World calls for the Slot allocation system to be reformed by the aviation community on an equal basis
- UK Civil Aviation Authority welcomes Supreme Court decision refusing Emirates permission to appeal

- Boeing 737 MAX 7 completes successful First Flight ↓



Source: Boeing

►19/3/2018

- Lufthansa begins biometric boarding at LAX, paving the way for nationwide usage at airports
- Airbus and Heathrow celebrate 10th anniversary of first A380 flight to London

►20/3/2018

- Geneva Airport: A redefined strategy, the passenger at the heart of priorities
- In addition to intense strategic discussions with the Canton and the Confederation, Genève Aéroport closes the 2017 financial year with a turnover of CHF 466.4 million, which generated a net profit of 78.9 million

►21/3/2018

- Boeing delivers first 737 MAX 9
- IATA expands its Montreal Head Office operations with the addition of key Financial Services functions
- Etihad Airways and Swiss International Air Lines (SWISS) have launched a new codeshare partnership with bookings effective immediately

►22/3/2018

- Loganair joins ERA

►24/3/2018

- 2018 Air Transport Awards – Emirates, Singapore Changi Airport, Abdul Wahab Teffaha and Jeff Poole among the winners ↓



Source: Air Transport Awards

MARCH

- 24/3/2018 (cont'd)
- Qantas starts history-making flight direct to London ↓



Source: Qantas

- 25/3/2018
- Boeing delivers world's First 787-10 Dreamliner to Singapore Airlines ↓



Source: Boeing

- 27/3/2018
- Air France joins the KLM - Kenya Airways joint venture

- 28/3/2018
- easyJet celebrates the opening of its 30th base in Bordeaux ↓



Source: Bordeaux Airport

- Aegean Airlines announces order of up to 42 new aircraft of the A320 neo Family, valued at 5 billion dollars at list prices
- Delta and Korean Air to launch world-class joint venture partnership
- Qatar Airways' Privilege Club launches refreshed brand identity
- Laudamotion and Ryanair partnership takes off

- 29/3/2018
- ANA HOLDINGS and Honda Aircraft Company announce a Strategic Partnership to Expand the Business Jet Market

- Ryanair Sun introduces operation from Katowice and Warsaw to both Larnaka & Pafos airports and from Poznan to Pafos Airport. →



APRIL

►3/4/2018

- A new Board of Directors under the Chairmanship of Mr. Ranjit Fernando has been appointed at SriLankan Airlines

►4/4/2018

- Air New Zealand and Virgin Australia to end trans-Tasman alliance
- FAA revokes Air America's Air Carrier Certificate
- Boeing, Jet Airways Announce new order for 75 737 MAX airplanes
- IATA Launches New Global Certification Program to Improve Safety and Welfare of Animals Travelling by Air

►6/4/2018

- Airports Council International (ACI) World today launched the first ever Airport Service Quality (ASQ) barometer, the first global snapshot of airport customer experience satisfaction levels, with overall satisfaction scores from a global and regional level
- Boeing, American Airlines sign major order for 47 787 Dreamliners ↓



Source: Boeing

►7/4/2018

- Athens International Airport welcomes the Holy Flame ↓



Source: ATN

►9/4/2018

- ACI World releases preliminary 2017 world airport traffic rankings: Demand has continued its robust year-on-year growth across the world's major airports both in terms of passenger numbers and air cargo. Passenger traffic at the world's 20 busiest airports grew by 5.2% in 2017. With almost 1.5 billion passengers passing through their terminals in 2017, this group of 20 represents 17% of global passenger traffic
- Croatia Airlines and TAP express operated by Portugalia Airlines join the ERA Board

►10/4/2018

- Boeing, Lion Air Group announce order for 50 737 MAX 10 airplanes
- Airbus launches new Cabin-Flex option for A380 with Qantas
- Emirates sets new record with over 1 million Wi-Fi connections on board in March
- SAS places order for an additional 50 Airbus A320neo aircraft to create a single-type fleet

►11/4/2018

- Qantas today announced it has signed an agreement for the sale of its catering businesses to dnata, an aviation services company that is part of the Emirates Group
- This morning, the outgoing Ag. Chief Executive Officer of RwandAir, Chance Ndagano officially handed over to Ms. Yvonne Manzi Makolo after her appointment as the new Chief Executive Officer of RwandAir

►12/4/2018

- Norwegian has just been made aware that the International Airline Group (IAG) has acquired of 4.6 percent of the shares in Norwegian Air Shuttle ASA

►16/4/2018

- The International Air Transport Association (IATA) announced that Transparency in Payments (TIP) has been implemented in the Finland, Norway and Sweden markets

►17/4/2018

- Qatar Airways is pleased to announce a new codeshare agreement with Air Italy, starting 24 April
- Court of justice European Union: A 'wildcat strike' by flight staff following the surprise announcement of a restructuring does not constitute an 'extraordinary circumstance', releasing the airline from its obligation to pay compensation in the event of cancellation or long delay

►18/4/2018

- Southwest Airlines flight WN1380 diverted to Philadelphia Airport, Pennsylvania, USA, after suffering an in-flight uncontained engine failure

►20/4/2018

- Delta Board of Directors names Michael Huerta as newest member

►23/4/2018

- Ultra Long Range A350 XWB completes first flight ↓



Source: Airbus

APRIL

►23/4/2018 (cont'd)

- The International Air Transport Association (IATA) highlighted three key priorities for the ground handling industry to support the growing demand for air travel: harmonizing global standards to improve safety, improving collaboration between stakeholders, and developing talent
- Acting Prime Minister officially opens BNE \$135 million International Terminal expansion
- United Airlines takes delivery of the fuel efficient 737 MAX 9
- The Management Board of the European Aviation Safety Agency announces the re-election by a unanimous vote of Patrick Ky (50) as the Agency's Executive Director for a second term of 5 years
- State aid: Commission opens in-depth investigation into Italian State loan to Alitalia

►24/4/2018

- Today, April 24, the Latvian airline airBaltic welcomed its millionth passenger traveling on the brand new Bombardier CS300 aircraft since the launch of commercial operations of the aircraft on December 14, 2016
- Boeing, Ryanair announce order for 25 737 MAX 8s
- Norway's Wideroe completes first revenue flight of an Embraer E190-E2
- Austrian Airlines: Special Branding for the new Boeing 777 OE-LPF to commemorate 60th Anniversary ↓



Source: ATN

►25/4/2018

- Mr. Seow Hiang Lee, CEO of Changi Airport Group was elected ACI Asia-Pacific President for a two-year term with immediate effect
- Airports Council International launches new Landside Security Handbook
- Emirates introduces Home Check-in in Dubai

►26/4/2018

- Boeing delivers First 787 Dreamliner for Gulf Air

►27/4/2018

- Air Tahiti Nui reveals its new brand ↓



►30/4/2018

- WestJet launches inaugural Halifax/Gatwick flight
- Ethiopian Airlines signs purchase agreement for 10 firm Bombardier Q400 aircraft

- Yan Air introduces direct operation from Kiev to Larnaka. →
- Jet2 launches a new route from Belfast to Pafos Airport. →
- Hermes Airports launches its new airport magazine 'Welcome to Cyprus...Yours to be unlocked'. →
- Hermes Airports hosts the ACI EUROPE Facilitation and Customer Services Committee meeting with participants from 24 European airports. →



MAY

► 1/5/2018

- Qatar Airways rolls out 'Super Wi-Fi' High Speed Broadband on its Boeing 777 and Airbus A350 Fleet
- Turkish Airlines and Belavia have signed a codeshare agreement

► 2/5/2018

- Qantas has today announced an order for six additional Boeing 787-9s to fly on its international network ↓



Source: ICAO

► 3/5/2018

- Cathay Pacific A350-1000 completes first test flight in Toulouse
- Embraer and American Airlines sign contract for 15 E175s

► 4/5/2018

- The National Transportation Safety Board issued an investigative update Thursday for its ongoing investigation of the fatal, April 17, engine failure on Southwest Airlines flight 1380

► 5/5/2018

- A majority of Air France staff have voted "no" in the consultation on the multi-year pay agreement proposed on 16 April. As Jean-Marc Janailac has announced, he will draw the personal conclusions of the results of this consultation. He will convene meetings with the Air France-KLM and Air France Boards of Directors on 9 May and will submit his resignation

► 7/5/2018

- JetBlue, Boston's Favorite Airline, Unveils Its First NBA Livery in Celebration of Boston Celtics Partnership ↓



Source: JetBlue

► 8/5/2018

- Milan Bergamo becomes Air Arabia Egypt's first European link

► 9/5/2018

- Re-Imposition of sanctions pursuant to the May 8, 2018 National Security Presidential Memorandum relating to the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA)
- Volotea has been welcomed as a new IATA member
- Air Seychelles, the national airline of the Republic of Seychelles and Air Botswana, the national airline of Botswana have signed a Special Prorate Agreement (SPA)
- WestJet unveils its Dreamliner 'Spirit of Canada' to the world
- The Emirates Group today announced its 30th consecutive year of profit and steady business expansion. Released today in its 2017-18 Annual Report, the Emirates Group posted a profit of AED 4.1 billion (US\$ 1.1 billion) for the financial year ended 31 March 2018, up 67% from last year

► 10/5/2018

- ICAO and NEPAD to enhance cooperation in aid of African aviation development, modernization objectives

► 14/5/2018

- Japan Airlines (JAL) today announced the decision to establish a new low-cost carrier (LCC) business for the international market

► 15/5/2018

- ALPA Welcomes UAE Commitment to fair competition for U.S. airlines
- Austrian Airlines celebrates its 60th Birthday today
- The World Trade Organization (WTO) today in its final decision found that the European Union (EU) has failed to honor multiple previous rulings and has provided more than \$22 billion of illegal subsidies to European aircraft maker Airbus
- The first A330neo for launch operator TAP Air Portugal - MSN1819 - completed its 4:32 hours maiden flight ↓



Source: Airbus

- Hermes Airports Senior Manager Operations Larnaka Airport Andys Frangos participates in a panel discussion at the ACI EUROPE's Regional Airports' Conference in Naples. →
- Hermes Airports COO Miltos Miltiadous participates at the 3rd Airport Security Summit as a key note speaker focusing on the 'Changing Security Services'. →



MAY

- 17/5/2018
- TIACA updates brand identity with fresh logo and website redesigns supporting new vision ↓



Source: TIACA

- Aegean Airlines: On behalf of our Board of Directors and the employees of AEGEAN, we would like to express our deep sorrow for the loss of our Chairman and Founder, Theodoros Vassilakis
- ICAO and UN CTED to strengthen cooperation on border control, aviation security, and counter-terrorism issues

- 18/5/2018
- SilkAir to undergo major cabin product upgrade and be merged into SIA

- JetBlue announces Senior Leadership Changes: Joanna Geraghty appointed President & COO
- The Boeing 737-200, operating on Cubana de Aviacion flight 972 from Havana to Holguin, Cuba, crashed shortly after takeoff

- 21/5/2018
- Finnair CEO Pekka Vauramo leaves the company to join Metso Corporation

- 23/5/2018
- American Airlines applauds ratification of U.S.-Brazil Open Skies agreement
- Qantas and Air France review partnership to offer customers more travel options between Australia and France

- 28/5/2018
- airBaltic orders up to 60 aircraft for significant breakthrough of development
- ICAO: Preventing human trafficking by empowering aircraft cabin crew - Aircraft cabin crew will now have better tools to help them prevent human trafficking on commercial flights after the launch today of new ICAO-OHCHR Guidelines for Training Cabin Crew on Identifying and Responding to Trafficking in Persons
- Air France: Signing of agreements with pilot unions

- 30/5/2018
- Singapore Airlines to launch World's longest commercial flights

- 31/5/2018
- Bangkok Airways and Lao Airlines announce a new codeshare partnership

- **ACI EUROPE announces that Hermes Airports will host the next ACI EUROPE General Assembly in Cyprus.**→
- **Pafos Airport awarded by ACI Europe as the “Most Accessible Airport in Europe” at the ACI EUROPE General Assembly.**→



JUNE

►1/6/2018

- **Air New Zealand and Qantas have today announced plans for a reciprocal codeshare agreement that leverages the strengths of each carrier's domestic networks, making travel within Australia and New Zealand easier**
- **Lufthansa receives 10th Airbus A350-900**

►3/6/2018

- **IATA, AFRAA sign MoU to Advance Aviation in Africa**
- **oneworld is launching a new platform for linking up with the world's premier airline alliance, enabling customers to enjoy more services and benefits across an even more extensive global network**

►4/6/2018

- **WTTTC and IATA Agree to Partner for Seamless Passenger and Better Traveller Experience**
- **Wizz Air takes delivery of its 100th A320 Family aircraft**
- **SkyTeam Airline Alliance appoints new Chief Executive Officer** ↓



Source: SkyTeam

►5/6/2018

- **The International Air Transport Association (IATA) announced that Qatar Airways Group Chief Executive, His Excellency Akbar Al Baker, has assumed his duties as Chairman of the IATA Board of Governors (BoG) for a one-year term**

►6/6/2018

- **Air China and Air Canada sign first China-North America Airline Joint Venture** ↓



Source: Air Canada

►8/6/2018

- **Ethiopian Airlines inaugurates the first long haul line to Africa from Geneva**
- **Airbus, Bombardier and Investissement Québec agree C Series Partnership closing effective July 1,2018**

►9/6/2018

- **Turkish Airlines has decided not to participate in the Skytrax World Airline Audit**

►11/6/2018

- **In accordance with the Presidential Order of the Republic of Azerbaijan No. 204 on 11 June 2018 Arif Mammadov has been appointed as a Director of the State Civil Aviation Agency under Ministry of Transport, Communications and High Technologies of the Republic of Azerbaijan**

►14/6/2018

- **Aviation Safety: Commission removes all airlines from Indonesia from EU Air Safety List**

►18/6/2018

- **Avinor - Norway's first electric-powered flight takes to the skies**

►19/6/2018

- **Hong Kong's first Airbus A350-1000 comes home** ↓



Source: Cathay Pacific

►20/6/2018

- **Jet Airways receives it's first 737 MAX from Boeing**
- **WestJet Link takes flight**
- **Alexis von Hoensbroech appointed new CEO of Austrian Airlines**

►21/6/2018

- **Scot gets off to a flying start in Berlin: New long-haul connection – fly now four times a week from Berlin Tegel to Singapore**

►22/6/2018

- **Aegean Airlines firms up order for 30 A320neo Family aircraft**

►25/6/2018

- **Boeing, Bamboo Airways announce commitment for 20 787 Dreamliners**

- Cyprus Airways launches a new route from Larnaka to Prague. →
- Laudamotion introduces the Vienna-Pafos route. →



JUNE

- 26/6/2018
 - UK House of Commons unambiguously backed expanding Heathrow – ending decades of political debate on one of the UK’s most pressing infrastructure issues
 - Genève Aéroport launches the first issue of “Take Off by Genève Aéroport”, which is in part a continuation of the magazine “Je Pars” distributed before at the airport
 - Iberia takes delivery of its first A350-900

- 27/6/2018
 - ICAO Council reaches landmark decision on aviation emissions off-setting. Its adoption of the First Edition of Annex 16, Volume IV, to the Convention on International Civil Aviation (Chicago Convention), comes less than two years after ICAO’s 192 Member States achieved their historic agreement on CORSIA at the Organization’s 39th Assembly, an emissions-offsetting first for any global industry sector

- 28/6/2018
 - Qantas Chairman Leigh Clifford will step down from the national carrier in October 2018, after 11 years in the role
 - Etihad Airways Chef brings fine dining to Mount Everest, breaking Guinness world record
- 29/6/2018
 - The European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) welcomes the adoption by the Council of the European Union of updated aviation safety rules for Europe which include a new mandate for EASA

- Hermes Airports celebrates the full operation of 74 interactive BorderXpress kiosks at Larnaka and Pafos airport, which facilitate passport control formalities. →
- Israil introduces flights from Haifa to Larnaka. →



JULY

- 1/7/2018
 - Airbus' majority stake in C Series partnership with Bombardier and Investissement Québec comes into effect
- 6/7/2018
 - Boeing and Embraer announced they have signed a Memorandum of Understanding to establish a strategic partnership that positions both companies to accelerate growth in global aerospace markets
- 10/7/2018
 - Airbus introduces the A220-100 and A220-300 ↓



Source: Airbus

- Ethiopian to resume flights to Asmara
- 11/7/2018
 - JetBlue signs commitment for 60 A220-300 aircraft, converts 25 A320neo orders to larger A321neo
- 12/7/2018
 - Ryanair welcomes EU Approval of its Laudamotion proposal
 - IATA enhances commitment to UN Sustainable Development Goals more accessible training for Developing Nations
- 13/7/2018
 - CAAS, EASA and AIRBUS collaborate to advance safety of unmanned aircraft systems in urban environments
 - Turkish Airlines received its first A321neo in Cabin Flex configuration from Airbus
 - Bordeaux Airport celebrates the 1000th easyJet route
 - ICAO leaders highlight strong European aviation performance and forecast growth challenges at 36th ECAC Plenary
- 16/7/2018
 - Air France, KLM Royal Dutch Airlines, China Southern Airlines and Xiamen Airlines now form a single joint venture
- 17/7/2018
 - Delta, Korean Air to provide World-Class Cargo services with the launch of their Joint Venture Partnership
- 18/7/2018
 - easyJet takes delivery of its first A321neo

- 19/7/2018
 - Boeing Showcases the Future of Aerospace with Successful Farnborough Airshow, Announcing \$100 Billion in Orders and Commitments
 - First BelugaXL becomes airborne for its maiden flight ↓



Source: Airbus



Source: Airbus

- Airbus welcomes Hi Fly A380 at Farnborough International Airshow ↓
- AirAsia X orders 34 more A330neo
- 20/7/2018
 - ALTA inaugurates its headquarter in Panama
 - Delta and WestJet to create new transborder joint venture
- 23/7/2018
 - Boeing today released its 2018 Pilot & Technician Outlook, projecting demand for 790,000 pilots over the next 20 years. This represents double the current workforce and the most significant demand in the outlook's nine-year history
- 24/7/2018
 - Qatar Airways' World-Class A350-1000 Touches Down On U.S. Soil For the First Time
- 25/7/2018
 - European Commission adopts new rules on mental fitness of aircrew
- 26/7/2018
 - Delta Cargo, ACS and OCC make history with the largest cargo revenue flight ever

JULY

►27/7/2018

- U.S. Department of Transportation Announces \$770.8 Million in Infrastructure Grants to Airports in 50 States and 5 U.S. Territories

►29/7/2018

- In support of the United Nations World Day Against Trafficking in Persons, Airports Council International (ACI) World and the International Air Transport Association (IATA) emphasized their joint commitment and work to help combat human trafficking. Aviation connects the world, carrying more than four billion passengers a year, but this global network is also used nefariously by traffickers to transport people against their will

►30/7/2018

- First Ultra Long Range A350 XWB rolls out of paintshop

- Safety Investigation Report: Malaysia Airlines Boeing B777- 200 ER (9M- MRO) 08 March 2014

- This Safety Investigation Report (Report) builds on the previous Factual Information Report and extends the available information publicly released to include analysis, findings/conclusions and safety recommendations. Recognising that at the time of issue of this Report, the main aircraft wreckage, including the aircraft’s Flight Data Recorder (FDR) and Cockpit Voice Recorder (CVR) have not yet been located, this Report will necessarily be limited by a significant lack of evidence

►31/7/2018

- Air New Zealand Board Chairman Tony Carter to Retire in 2019
- IATA, CFM International Sign Pro-Competitive agreement on Engine Maintenance

- LEVEL airline launches a new operation from Larnaka to Vienna➔



AUGUST

►1/8/2018

- Bombardier Commercial Aircraft announced today that its 90-passenger Q400 aircraft configuration has received its certification from Transport Canada, becoming the first in-production commercial turbo-prop in the world to reach that capacity
- Emirates Skywards expands loyalty programme to include both Emirates airline and flydubai
- Resignation of Office as Chairman of CAA of Malaysia
- Bristol Airport's new Chief Executive Officer, Dave Lees joins today

►2/8/2018

- ICAO and Quebec forge new agreement on diplomatic arrangements
- Japan Airlines and China Eastern Airlines aim to apply for Joint Business agreement
- Bombardier today reported its second quarter 2018 results, including strong earnings growth, margin expansion and improving cash usage

►6/8/2018

- Fraport AG Frankfurt Airport Services Worldwide (Fraport AG) signed an agreement on August 6, 2018, to sell its entire 30 percent stake in Flughafen Hannover-Langenhagen GmbH (FHLG) to iCON Flughafen GmbH (iCON) – part of the iCON Infrastructure Group – for 109.2 million euros

►7/8/2018

- Saudi Airlines announces an immediate suspension of flights to Toronto, Canada starting from August 13, 2018
- easyJet launches recruitment drive for data scientists in drive to becoming most data driven airline in the world

►8/8/2018

- Air China takes delivery of its first Airbus A350-900 ➔



Source: Airbus

- Ryanair forced to cancel 250 flights To/From Germany on Friday (Aug 10) due to Unjustified Strike by Vereinigung Cockpit

►13/8/2018

- Delta and its joint venture partner Air France-KLM are launching an industry-first program of aligned benefits for corporate customers to enhance their travel experience, including better seats and priority boarding

►14/8/2018

- In a major step forward for gender equality and gender action in international air transport, ICAO and South Africa's Civil Aviation Authority (SACAA) were joined by over 500 leaders and experts from around the world in Cape Town for the opening of the first-ever Global Aviation Gender Summit
- Bryan Thompson Appointed CEO of Abu Dhabi Airports ➔



Source: Abu Dhabi Airports

►16/8/2018

- Board of Directors appoints Benjamin Smith as Air France-KLM CEO ➔



Source: Air France

►20/8/2018

- The International Air Transport Association (IATA) published the results of a global survey of Human Resources professionals in the aviation industry highlighting key challenges in talent acquisition, training and retention
- Gulf Air becomes the first national carrier to fly the A320neo in the region

AUGUST

- ▶21/8/2018
 - Ryanair website to sell Air Malta flights
- Air Canada, TD, CIBC, Visa and Aimia Reach Agreement in principle for acquisition of Aeroplan Loyalty Business

- ▶22/8/2018
 - Joint Statement at the Signing of the Shareholders Agreement between the Industrial Development Corporation and Ethiopian Airlines for the Establishment of Zambia Airways

- ▶23/8/2018
 - The Qantas Group has reported an Underlying Profit Before Tax of \$1.6 billion for the 2018 financial year – a record for the national carrier

- ▶24/8/2018
 - Ethiopian Airlines partners in launching of Chad National carrier
 - Genève Aéroport is getting closer to its passengers by introducing a system of intelligent answers via the Facebook Messenger application

- ▶25/8/2018
 - United Announces move to Nasdaq

- ▶26/8/2018
 - Airbus Perlan Mission II soars to over 62,000 feet, setting second altitude world record and crossing Armstrong Line ↓



Source: Airbus

- ▶27/8/2018
 - In response to the rapid growth of the drone and Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems (RPAS) market worldwide, Airports Council International (ACI) World has today launched a policy paper on drones providing informed and practical recommendations for airports

- ▶29/8/2018
 - Laudamotion announces new 2019 aircraft, new livery, new offices and pay rises following Ryanair 75% purchase
 - Boeing, GOL debut airline's First 737 MAX Airplane
 - Vitaly Savelyev re-elected as CEO of Aeroflot
 - VINCI Airports thus officially becomes the new operator of eight new platforms: - Belfast International Airport in Northern Ireland owned at 100%, and Skavsta Airport near Stockholm, Sweden, owned at 90% through freehold property contracts ; - Orlando-Sanford International Airport in Florida (USA) with a 100% stake, and Daniel Oduber Quirós International Airport in Liberia (Costa Rica) with a 45% stake, both through concession contracts ; - Hollywood Burbank Airport and Ontario International Airport in California (USA), and Macon Downtown Airport and Middle Georgia Regional Airport in Georgia (USA), through full management contracts

SEPTEMBER

► 1/9/2018

- THAI Welcomes Newly Appointed President Sumeth Damrongchaitham

► 2/9/2018

- Airbus Perlan Mission II glider soars to 76,000 feet to break own altitude record, surpassing even U-2 reconnaissance plane

► 4/9/2018

- Watanya Airways face "unexpected" circumstances forcing suspension

► 5/9/2018

- Latest edition of ICAO Safety Report confirms 2017 as aviation's safest year. The 2018 edition of the ICAO Safety Report, released this week, provides a high level summary of ICAO's safety initiatives and achievements to enhance aviation safety in 2017, along with key safety performance indicators pertaining to the 2013-2017 time period

- Closure of Kansai International Airport (KIX) in Osaka, Japan

► 6/9/2018

- easyJet partners with Singapore Airlines to connect travellers between Europe and South East Asia with 'Worldwide by easyJet'

► 7/9/2018

- Fraport Extends CEO contract for Dr. Stefan Schulte ↓



Source: Fraport

► 10/9/2018

- The Government of Denmark and the Government of Greenland have come to a political agreement in which it is mentioned that the Government of Greenland will look into acquiring the shares in Air Greenland owned by the Danish State
- Aeroflot and UAC sign agreement for 100 Russian-built Superjet 100

► 11/9/2018

- Dmitry Saprykin steps down as CEO of Rossiya Airlines
- Virgin Australia leads Australian first with delivery of sustainable aviation fuel at Brisbane Airport

► 12/9/2018

- ACI World launches new handbook to help airports enhance accessibility of air travel for persons with disabilities

- Turkish Airlines brings a new elegant style to the skies with its new cabin crew uniforms ↓



Source: Turkish Airlines

► 13/9/2018

- Lufthansa Cargo, using the INFr8 platform, has handled the world's first dangerous goods shipment with an electronic Dangerous Goods Declaration (eDGD) at Frankfurt Airport. A shipment from healthcare giant Abbott Diagnostics in Wiesbaden was flown on board cargo flight LH8222 to Mexico City

- Christian Scherer appointed Airbus Chief Commercial Officer

- Boeing, Air Peace announce order for 10 737 MAX airplanes

► 14/9/2018

- Air Seychelles, the national airline of the Republic of Seychelles, today confirmed the appointment of Remco Althuis as its new Chief Executive Officer ↓



Source: Air Seychelles

SEPTEMBER

► 17/9/2018

- Stefano Bortoli appointed CEO of ATR ↓



Source: ATR

- Cathay Pacific and Boeing announced today that they are donating the first-ever Boeing 777 airplane to the Pima Air & Space Museum in Arizona, one of the world's largest facilities devoted to celebrating aerospace ↓



Source: Cathay Pacific

- First ANA A380 takes to the skies

► 18/9/2018

- ALTA and Colombia Civil Aviation Authority signed cooperation agreement
- Fourth ICAO World Aviation Forum highlights key development priorities to Americas and Caribbean participants
- oneworld appoints Qantas' Alan Joyce as Governing Board Chairman
- Qatar Airways Sustains Strong EBITDAR supported by Capacity Growth Despite the Blockade by its Neighbouring Countries

► 19/9/2018

- ICAO Secretary General stresses safe and harmonized airspace management priorities for unmanned aircraft and drones
- Airbus delivers first aircraft from Mobile powered by sustainable jet fuel blend
- Etihad Airways operates iconic A380 to Maldives to celebrate new Male runway opening

► 20/9/2018

- Airports Council International (ACI) World today published the 2018 edition of its Annual World Airport Traffic Report (WATR) which found that global passenger and cargo growth remained resilient and robust in the face of threats from trade and political tension around the world

► 21/9/2018

- Air France's A380 takes off for Atlanta
- Bombardier Commercial Aircraft today announced the delivery of its first 90-seat Q400 aircraft. The aircraft was handed over to India's SpiceJet Limited ("SpiceJet") the launch operator for the extra-capacity, 90-seat aircraft ↓



Source: Bombardier

► 22/9/2018

- First Ultra Long Range A350 XWB delivered to Singapore Airlines ↓



Source: Airbus

► 25/9/2018

- CANSO and EUROCONTROL agree joint action to tackle airspace capacity in Europe
- Ryanair pre-cancels under 190 Of 2,400 (8%) scheduled flights on Fri 28th Sept
- Aeroflot receives 50th Sukhoi Superjet 100
- The Air France group and leading digital travel platform Booking.com have signed a new partnership agreement to offer customers a more comprehensive, simplified and digital travel experience upon booking

SEPTEMBER

►26/9/2018

- Airbus A330-900 receives EASA Type Certification
- ACI signs Memorandum of Understanding with Aerocivil to promote airport excellence in Colombia

►27/9/2018

- Ryanair today announced it will open a new base at Bordeaux from April 2019 as part of its Summer 2019 schedule
- Germania Flug AG becomes the newest member of IATA
- Helvetic Airways Firms Up Order for 12 E190-E2 jets

- Japan Airlines and American Airlines announce nonstop service to Seattle, strengthening Pacific Joint Business International network
- Air New Zealand's new A321neo nears take-off
- Iraqi General Establishment of Civil Aviation signs a MoU with the UAE General Civil Aviation Authority in the field of Air Transport

►28/9/2018

- Airbus' China assembly facility marks 10 years of quality manufacturing for A320 Family
- Today, the Supervisory Board of Deutsche Lufthansa AG approved the purchase of 27 short- and medium-haul aircraft. Purchase options for 24 Airbus A320neo and three A321neo will be converted into firm orders

- **Laudamotion launches the Vienna – Larnaka route.** →
- **Hermes Airports creates at Larnaka Airport the first “Changing Place” facility for Disabled Persons in Cyprus.** →



OCTOBER

- **1/10/2018**
 - **Qatar Airways Announces Upgrade of Five Airbus A350-900s to A350-1000s**
- **2/10/2018**
 - **The global air transport sector supports 65.5 million jobs and \$2.7 trillion in global economic activity, according to new research released today by the Air Transport Action Group (ATAG)**
 - **EASA and FAA certify long-range capability for A321neo** ↓



Source: Airbus

- **Airline Primera Air and IATA codes PF and 6F have been suspended as of today, October 2nd, 2018**
- **3/10/2018**
 - **New ACI policy brief stresses importance of airport resilience and encourages airports to develop climate change adaptation plans**
- **4/10/2018**
 - **The International Air Transport Association (IATA) announced that Karen Clayton will join IATA as the Association's Corporate Secretary effective April 2019**
- **5/10/2018**
 - **Virgin Australia becomes first airline outside North America to launch voice check-in with Amazon Alexa**
 - **Air New Zealand and Singapore Airlines welcome renewed regulatory approval for alliance**
- **6/10/2018**
 - **FAA Reauthorization Bill Passage**
- **8/10/2018**
 - **Scot takes delivery of its first A320neo**

- **Airbus Board of Directors selects Guillaume Faury Future Chief Executive Officer** ↓



Source: Airbus

- **9/10/2018**
 - **United Airlines unveils world's largest and industry-leading Flight Training Center**
 - **ATPCO and SITA today announced that British Airways, Delta Air Lines, United Airlines, the airlines of the LATAM Group, and Finnair will participate in NDC Exchange, a platform that enables content interoperability across the airline distribution ecosystem and is a trusted bridge between IATA's NDC (New Distribution Capability) and traditional distribution methods**
- **10/10/2018**
 - **WestJet unveils global future, new brand image** ↓



- **Qantas and KLM Royal Dutch Airlines, the flag carrier of the Netherlands, have today announced a new codeshare agreement creating new options for customers travelling between Australia and Holland**
- **11/10/2018**
 - **Sir Richard Branson and Virgin Australia hold world-first meditation flight with smiling mind**
- **12/10/2018**
 - **Singapore Airlines launches world's longest flight**

OCTOBER

►15/10/2018

- Kuwait Airways, the national carrier of the state of Kuwait, has signed a Purchase Agreement (PA) for eight A330-800 aircraft

►16/10/2018

- Boeing projects air cargo operators will need more than 2,600 freighters over the next two decades to keep up with increasing global freight traffic, which is expected to double with 4.2 percent growth annually

►17/10/2018

- Cobalt regrets to announce that it will be cancelling all Flights as of 23:50pm on October 17, 2018 due to indefinite suspension of Cobalt's operations

►18/10/2018

- Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University Study confirms small Unmanned "Drones" pose increasing risks to aircraft

►19/10/2018

- Keeping drones safe, secure and green: Commission launches the European Network of U-space Demonstrators

- Boeing delivers first 787-9 Dreamliner to Juneyao Airlines

►22/10/2018

- CANSO welcomes decisions by States and ICAO that will actively facilitate the changing face of ATM
- EVA Air showcased its first Boeing 787-9 Dreamliner in a grand debut event at Evergreen Aviation Technologies Corp.'s Hangar No. 3
- The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia's national flag carrier, SAUDIA, and Etihad Airways, the national airline of the United Arab Emirates, have announced a new codeshare partnership
- ALTA welcomes Interjet
- Airbus and China Airlines present A350-900 with special joint livery ↓



Source: Airbus

►24/10/2018

- The International Air Transport Association (IATA) revealed that present trends in air transport suggest passenger numbers could double to 8.2 billion in 2037
- Cathay Pacific Airways Limited has discovered unauthorised access to some of its passenger data and that of its wholly owned subsidiary, Hong Kong Dragon Airlines Limited
- Ryanair signs agreement with Spanish Pilot Union SEPLA

►25/10/2018

- Turkish Airlines signed a Frequent Flyer Program (FFP) Agreement with the Brazilian-based Azul Brazilian Airlines

►26/10/2018

- Delta Air Lines takes delivery of its first Airbus A220

►28/10/2018

- Air Arabia celebrates 15th anniversary with new brand identity ↓



Source: Air Arabia

►29/10/2018

- CANSO and ALTA cooperate to enhance safety and improve efficiency in Latin America and Caribbean Aviation
- Emirates is gearing up to launch the world's first "biometric path" which will offer its customers a smooth and truly seamless airport journey at the airline's hub in Dubai International airport
- Lion Air flight JT610, a Boeing 737 MAX 8, crashed into the sea shortly after takeoff from Jakarta-Soekarno-Hatta International Airport, Indonesia
- Turkish President Erdogan has opened Istanbul's new international airport. Erdogan said the hub would be called "Istanbul Airport" ↓



Source: IGA

►30/10/2018

- Lufthansa reduces planned growth for 2019

►31/10/2018

- Today, a group of Nordic-based CEOs announced a joint initiative to speed up the realisation of the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
- China Eastern Airlines' first A350 XWB performs maiden flight
- Etihad Airways celebrates 15 years of successful flying

- Ryanair introduces two new routes from Pafos to Liverpool and Bournemouth. →
- DHL Express Cyprus brings its first owned aircraft to Cyprus for its daily cargo flights, connecting Cyprus with more than 220 countries. →



NOVEMBER

►1/11/2018

- Airports Council International (ACI) World has today published the latest edition of the World Airport Traffic Forecasts (WATF), which reveals that, by 2040, emerging and developing economies will account for more than 60% of all passenger traffic

►2/11/2018

- Vietnamese carrier Vietjet has placed a firm order with Airbus for an additional 50 A321neo single aisle aircraft, finalising an MOU signed at the Farnborough International Airshow last July

►5/11/2018

- Qatar Airways is proud to be the launch customer of GlobalBeacon, a key product solution created by FlightAware® and Aireon that provides the airline with global, real-time flight tracking
- Etihad Airways launches new Economy Space

►6/11/2018

- First A330-800 successfully completes maiden flight ↓



Source: Airbus

►7/11/2018

- Ryanair today revealed that its new bag policy from 1 Nov has already improved punctuality in the first week since its introduction and has been welcomed by both customers and airports across Europe
- Air Astana to launch a low cost airline, FlyArystan

►8/11/2018

- First Austrian Airlines Airbus in new livery takes to the air today

►14/11/2018

- Genève Aéroport welcomes the adoption this morning by the Federal Council of the sheet of the Sectoral Aviation Infrastructure Plan (SAIP) for Geneva. This document now serves as a framework for the evolution of the airport platform and its future operation
- Arkia Israeli Airlines takes delivery of world's first A321LR

►16/11/2018

- Delta Air Lines orders 10 additional Airbus A330-900s

►18/11/2018

- Special airBaltic Airbus A220-300 Participates in Parade ↓



Source: airBaltic

►19/11/2018

- Malaysia Aviation Group (MAG) announced the appointment of Philip See as the new Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Firefly, effective 1st January 2019

►20/11/2018

- NASA's Quiet Supersonic Technology project passes major milestone ↓



Source: NASA

- First Boeing 777X flight test airplane comes together
- easyJet orders additional 17 A320neo
- Boeing and Jeju Air announced the airline is ordering 40 737 MAX 8 airplanes with options for 10 additional jets

►22/11/2018

- Scoot is to take over a number of SilkAir's routes over the next two years, ahead of SilkAir's merger into Singapore Airlines (SIA). Scoot will also be transferring some of its services to existing destinations served by SIA and SilkAir

- The last commercial Boeing 767 flight for British Airways lands in Larnaka before making its final journey to Heathrow. →



NOVEMBER

►22/11/2018 (cont'd)

- Etihad Airways unveils spectacular Formula 1 livery ↓



Source: Etihad Airways

►26/11/2018

- Air France-KLM and China Eastern sign extension of their joint venture
- British Airways today bids farewell to one of the most iconic aircraft in its fleet, the Boeing 767
- Airbus delivers first A330-900 to launch operator TAP Air Portugal ↓



Source: Airbus

►28/11/2018

- The Transport Secretary Chris Grayling has today announced the conclusion of a new 'open skies' air services arrangement with the United States
- The EU paves the way to establish the common European drone services market
- American Airlines and China Southern Airlines are taking steps to strengthen their partnership with a significant expansion of codeshare cooperation and the launch of reciprocal frequent flyer benefits and lounge access
- Small Planet Airlines flights are not operating any more

►29/11/2018

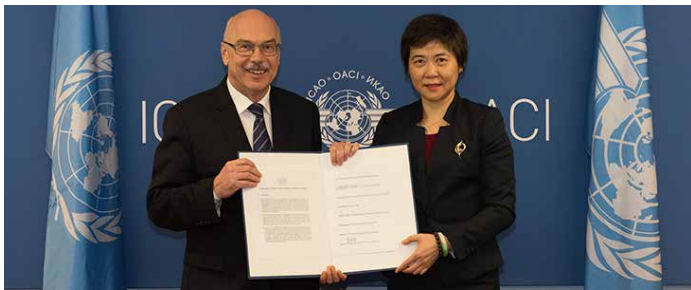
- The acquisition of Icelandair Group of Wow air, based on a purchase agreement signed on November 5th, has been cancelled
- Turboprop manufacturer ATR today celebrates its 1,500th aircraft delivery with the entire ATR employee community
- China Eastern Airlines takes delivery of its first Airbus A350-900 ↓



Source: Airbus

►30/11/2018

- ICAO joins UN Global Counter-Terrorism Coordination Compact
- At a special ceremony with Mr. Vladimir Ivanovich Voronkov, Under-Secretary-General for the United Nations Counter-Terrorism Office, ICAO's Secretary General Dr. Fang Liu signed the UN Global Counter-Terrorism Coordination Compact
- The signing took place on the side-lines of the Second ICAO High-level Conference on Aviation Security (HLCAS/2)
- The principal aim of the UN Global Counter-Terrorism Coordination Compact is to ensure that the United Nations system can have a better impact and provide stronger and more efficient counter-terrorism capacity-building support to Member States ↓



Source: ICAO

- Boeing delivers its 2,000th airplane to China

- A full-scale emergency exercise is successfully completed at Larnaka Airport. →
- A new passenger traffic record with 10.9m passengers and a 6.7% increase over last year for Larnaka and Pafos Airport.



DECEMBER

- **2/12/2018**
 - Canada, UK conclude agreement to maintain flights to support the air transport, tourism and trade sectors
- **3/12/2018**
 - Martin Eurnekian heads ACI World Governing Board
 - Bogi Nils Bogason appointed CEO of Icelandair Group
- **5/12/2018**
 - The UK Civil Aviation Authority has today started enforcement action against Ryanair, following the airline's decision that financial compensation is not payable under European Commission Regulation 261/2004 for flight disruption resulting from industrial action by the airline's staff this summer
 - Sheremetyevo Airport is to carry the name of the Great Russian poet Alexander Pushkin
 - American's First-Ever Biometric Boarding Program arrives at LAX
- **6/12/2018**
 - AirAsia has signed a Memorandum of Cooperation reaffirming its intention to set up a low-cost carrier in Vietnam with local partners
 - Royal Air Maroc to join oneworld
 - Fiji Airways flies as first oneworld connect partner from today ↓



Source: oneworld

- Privatair suspended its operations
- **7/12/2018**
 - Avolon firms up order for 100 A320neo Family aircraft
- **11/12/2018**
 - Boeing Delivers First 787-9 Dreamliner for Royal Air Maroc
- **12/12/2018**
 - Virgin Galactic flight test program update - SpaceShipTwo preparing for fourth powered test flight
 - Peru and ICAO celebrate 70th anniversary of ICAO's South American Regional Office
 - IATA launches platform enabling airlines to share Turbulence Data

- Right on time for the end of the 100th Crane Birthday: First Airbus A380 in new Lufthansa Design ↓



Source: Lufthansa

- **13/12/2018**
 - Boeing today delivered the 787th 787 Dreamliner to come off the production line
 - Emirates takes delivery of its last Boeing 777-300ER aircraft
 - First ANA A380 rolls-out of Airbus Paintshop with unique livery ↓



Source: Airbus

- **14/12/2018**
 - ICAO "solar-at-gate" pilot project for the reduction of CO2 emissions of aircraft during ground operations launched in Kenya ↓



Source: ICAO

- **15/12/2018**
 - Boeing and joint venture partner Commercial Aircraft Corporation of China, Ltd (COMAC) today celebrated the delivery of the first airplane from the new 737 Completion and Delivery Center in Zhoushan, China

- 13 new routes launched from Pafos and 7 new routes from Larnaka during 2018. →
- Hermes acquires ACI Airport Carbon Accreditation Level 3 certification for Larnaka and Pafos Airport. →



DECEMBER

- 17/12/2018
 - Embraer and Boeing have approved to the terms of a strategic partnership that would position both companies to accelerate growth in global aerospace markets
 - Birmingham Airport has announced the appointment of Nick Barton as Chief Executive. He will commence his new post on January 7th, 2019
- 18/12/2018
 - Second ICAO NGAP Summit in Shenzhen spotlights future skilled workforce challenges for global aviation ↓



Source: ICAO

- 19/12/2018
 - European Commission implements “no-deal” Contingency Action Plan in specific sectors
 - Embraer and Azul Linhas Aéreas Brasileiras S.A. have signed a contract for a firm order for a previously announced 21 E195-E2 jets
- 20/12/2018
 - Drone Disruption at London Gatwick Airport
- 21/12/2018
 - Boeing, Green Africa Airways Announce Landmark Commitment for up to 100 737 MAX aircraft

- Boeing and Lagos-based Green Africa Airways today announced a commitment for up to 100 737 MAX 8 aircraft, evenly split into 50 firm aircraft and 50 options, as the airline gears up to begin commercial operations. The total deal carries a list-price of \$11.7 billion, the largest aircraft agreement from Africa
- A319neo with CFM LEAP-1A engines wins joint Type Certification from FAA and EASA
- Air Tanzania becomes first African-based A220 operator ↓



Source: Airbus

- Turkish Airlines and India's IndiGo announce a Codeshare Agreement
- Boeing and flyadeal today announced the Middle East carrier is growing its fleet with the 737 MAX to take advantage of the airplane's fuel efficiency, range and passenger comforts. The airline committed to ordering 30 airplanes with options for 20 more in a deal that would be valued at up to \$5.9 billion at list price
- 24/12/2018
 - UN Security Council Counter-Terrorism Committee briefing heightens aviation security momentum
 - Acquisition of Aeroplan Loyalty Business by Air Canada clears regulatory requirements
- 27/12/2018
 - New long-term partnership announced for London Gatwick: VINCI Airports will take a 50.01% stake in Gatwick