

Frankfurt Airport Summer Timetable 2008: 125 Passenger Airlines Will Link FRA to 307 Destinations in 109 Countries

More Than 4,800 Departures per Week

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FRA/rap> In tandem with the changeover to summer time on the night of Saturday, March 29, Frankfurt Airport's Summer Timetable 2008 will go into effect: 4,580 passenger flights and 250 freighter services will depart per week from Germany's largest airport. In passenger traffic, 125 carriers will link FRA to 307 destinations in 109 countries; 31 cargo airlines will serve 83 destinations in 42 countries.

Although the number of weekly flights will not increase due to capacity constraints at FRA, the share of intercontinental passenger flights will climb to 990 flights per week, up 3.9 percent compared to summer 2007. Domestic connections will slip by 9.7 percent to 675 flights per week. On European routes (excluding Germany) the number of services will grow by one percent to 2,915 passenger flights per week.

New intercontinental destinations in FRA's Summer Timetable 2008 include Lufthansa connections to Seattle (SEA) on America's Pacific Northwest coast; Nanjing (NKG) in China; as well as the African cities of Luanda (LAD) in Angola and Malabo (SSG) in Equatorial Guinea. From April 14, Lufthansa will fly again to the Canadian rodeo metropolis of Calgary (YYC), Alberta. Air Canada will commence a new service this summer between Frankfurt and the Canadian capital of Ottawa (YOW), Ontario. Ariana Airlines of Afghanistan, which has already been serving FRA since the end of February, will continue flying to Kabul (KBL) for the summer season. Beginning May 5, Condor will introduce a new service to Recife (REC) on the Atlantic coast of northern Brazil.

In Europe, FRA's summer schedule will feature new Lufthansa connections to Bergen (BGO), Norway; Bristol (BRS) in the southwest of the United Kingdom; Gdansk (GDN) and Krakow (KRK) in Poland. There will be reductions on a number of Lufthansa's domestic routes as well as some international routes flown by various other carriers.

The total number of seats offered per week via FRA will reach 755,000, rising about 1.2 percent compared to summer 2007. On intercontinental routes, the number of seats per week will increase by three percent to 270,000. Thus, FRA will have a 65.5 percent share of the total intercontinental offerings in Germany.

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