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## Georgian gateway gain for Budapest Airport

Extending the diversity of its range of carriers, Budapest Airport announces the arrival of new airline partner, Myway Airlines, to its roll call. Linking the Hungarian gateway to its base at Tbilisi, the Georgian start-up carrier is due to commence a three times weekly service from 28 October. Kick-starting the winter season for Budapest, the 2,123-kilometre sector will be operated by the carrier's 170-seat 737-800s.

While facing no direct competition on the link to the Georgian capital, Myway Airlines will join Wizz Air's established link to Kutaisi in the west of the country. Further enhancing capacity, the Georgian carrier's new link means Budapest will be offering close to 20,000 scheduled seats to Georgia during W18/19. Boosting Hungary's connections to the Caucasus region, the new flight provides a significant link to the cultural intersection of Europe and Asia, presenting an important new route for various energy and trade developments.

Now boasting 46 carriers, and with 10 new routes still to commence in 2018, Budapest continues to experience solid growth. Recording an overall average 14% passenger traffic growth so far this year, the arrival of Myway Airlines will further enhance the airport's developments.



Photo caption: Now boasting 46 carriers, Budapest Airport announces the arrival on its latest airline partner, Myway Airlines, due to commence a three times weekly service to its base at Tbilisi from 28 October 2018.

## Notes for Editors

- Budapest Airport Zrt. is the operator of Budapest Airport. It is owned by an international consortium of investors, led by the privately-owned German company AviAlliance, an independent airport manager holding a 55.438% stake, together with Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec (21.228%), and Malton Investment Pte Ltd. (23.334%).
- Budapest Airport welcomed more than 13 million passengers in 2017, flying on the airport's services to 125 destinations across 45 countries.
- Monthly passenger traffic growth August 2018 has exceeded +14%.
- Budapest Airport's route development includes:  
Already launched:
  - easyJet daily service to Berlin Tegel, 9 January 2018;
  - Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Stavanger, 15 March 2018;
  - Wizz Air four times weekly service to Athens, 25 March 2018;
  - Ryanair twice-weekly service to Santander, 26 March 2018;
  - Ryanair three times weekly service to Paphos, 27 March 2018;
  - LOT Polish Airlines six times weekly service to Krakow, 28 April 2018;
  - Wizz Air five times weekly service to Basel, 3 May 2018;
  - LOT Polish Airlines four times weekly service to New York JFK, 3 May 2018;
  - LOT Polish Airlines twice-weekly service to Chicago O'Hare, 5 May 2018;
  - American Airlines daily service to Philadelphia, 5 May 2018.

### To launch:

- Ryanair twice-weekly service to Amman, starting 28 October 2018;
- Myway Airlines three times weekly service to Tbilisi, starting 28 October 2018;
- Wizz Air three times weekly service to Doncaster Sheffield, starting 29 October 2018;
- Ryanair twice-weekly service to Marseille, starting 30 October 2018;
- easyJet twice-weekly service to London Southend, starting 2 November 2018;
- easyJet twice-weekly service to Manchester, starting 5 November 2018;
- Wizz Air twice-weekly service to Eilat Ovda, starting 9 November 2018;
- LOT Polish Airlines 12 times weekly to London City, starting 19 February 2019;
- Transavia France twice-weekly to Nantes, starting 7 April 2019;
- Ryanair twice-weekly to Cork, April 2019.

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