



Press release

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Joint venture between Lufthansa Cargo and ANA Cargo to cover Europe to Japan as of August Customers will benefit from an extended, faster network

More and faster connections, more capacity, flexibility and time saving: these are the benefits available to European customers of Lufthansa Cargo and ANA Cargo as of 3 August. Both airlines are expanding their joint venture for freight consignments to routes from Europe to Japan. This means that European customers also have access to the shared network of the two airlines made up of over 90 weekly direct flights between Europe and Japan. First customers in Germany, France, United Kingdom and Austria will participate in the partnership. All other European countries will follow step by step. Lufthansa Cargo and ANA Cargo flights currently connect Frankfurt, Munich, Düsseldorf, London Heathrow, Paris Charles-de-Gaulle and Vienna with Tokyo Narita, Tokyo Haneda, Nagoya and Osaka.

Lufthansa Cargo and ANA Cargo started the first freight joint venture of its kind last December and initially focussed on flights from Japan to Europe. Both partners are offering their flights in a shared network on the cooperation routes. Freight is also handled at numerous stations in shared warehouses both in Japan and Europe. "Our customers save valuable time thanks to the large numbers of additional direct connections and rapid transit times. Demand has been consistently high since the partnership began", reports Peter Gerber, Chairman and CEO of Lufthansa Cargo. "By the end of April, more than 800 additional consignments had been carried with a total volume of around 940 tonnes."

"The cooperation has paid off even within the first few months", explains Akira Okada, CEO of ANA Cargo. "Starting to send consignments from Europe to Japan is an important milestone to provide an attractive service to an extended circle of customers."

ANA

All Nippon Airways (ANA) was the eighth largest airline in the world by revenue in 2014 and the largest in Japan by passenger numbers and cargo tonnage. ANA has been a core member of the Star Alliance since 1999 and operates joint ventures with United Airlines on trans-Pacific routes. On the passenger side, it also operates joint ventures with Lufthansa, Swiss International Airlines and Austrian Airlines on routes between Japan and Europe.

In 2014, ANA reorganised its freight operations by founding subsidiary ANA Cargo. The company, which employs around 950 employees, is expanding with its currently ten Boeing 767 freighters from its air freight hub in Okinawa.



The carrier also has access to freight capacity of 132 large volume and 93 small volume passenger aircraft belonging to ANA.

Lufthansa Cargo AG

Lufthansa Cargo ranks among the world's leading cargo carriers. In the 2014 business year, the airline transported around 1.7 million tonnes of freight and mail and sold 8.6 billion revenue tonne-kilometres. The company currently employs more than 4,500 people, worldwide. Lufthansa Cargo focuses on the airport-to-airport business. The cargo carrier serves around 300 destinations in more than 100 countries with its own fleet of freighters, the belly capacities of passenger aircraft operated by Lufthansa and Austrian Airlines, and an extensive road feeder service network. The bulk of the cargo business is routed through Frankfurt Airport. Lufthansa Cargo is a wholly owned Lufthansa subsidiary of Deutsche Lufthansa AG.

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