

# **ETIHAD CARGO TO START MOSCOW FREIGHTER SERVICES**

Etihad Cargo, the freight business of United Arab Emirates (UAE) flag carrier Etihad Airways, will launch twice weekly freighter rotations tomorrow (13 August, 2014) linking Abu Dhabi (AUH) and Moscow Domodedovo (DME) airports.

The dedicated cargo service will operate every Wednesday and Friday using an Airbus A330-200F freighter, with a capacity of 64 metric tonnes.

Moscow is Russia's capital city and a major political, economic, financial and transportation hub.

Kevin Knight, Chief Strategy and Planning Officer at Etihad Airways, said: "Russia is a key market for Etihad Cargo and our new freighter service will allow us to capitalise on the growing trade between Russia and the UAE.

"The UAE is home to almost 25,000 Russians, 400 Russia-UAE joint venture companies and we believe this new cargo routing will complement our existing bellyhold operations to and from Moscow.

"Furthermore, by offering heavy uplift maindeck capability for the first time to the Russian capital, and linking this with our existing cargo operations in Abu Dhabi, customers now have more choice for transporting larger goods to what is one of the largest markets in the world."

Etihad Cargo offers services to 108 destinations internationally, operating a fleet of ten freighters, consisting of four Airbus A330-200F, three Boeing B777F, and three Boeing 747F.