

Airlines & Airports



Travellers Vote Qatar Airways Middle East Airline of The Year

This award is the latest traveller accolade praising Qatar Airways' premium products and services. Whether travelling for business or leisure, Qatar Airways Business Class passengers can take advantage of a dedicated check-in facility at its state-of-the-art hub at Hamad International Airport, Doha.

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LOT Orders 10 Boeing 737s, Including the Most Modern Boeing 737 MAX 8s



Delta Air Lines' 3rd Quarter Profit Drops

Adjusted pre-tax income for the

LOT will have the first Boeing 737 MAX 8 delivered in November 2017 and the next one a month later. In total, until 2020 LOT is going to lease 6 such aircraft, with an option of leasing another 5. The aircraft will be delivered straight from Boeing plant by Air Lease Corporation.

September 2016 quarter was US\$1.9bn, a US\$278m decrease from the September 2015 quarter. The technology outage and subsequent operational recovery Delta experienced over four days in early August reduced pre-tax income for the quarter by an estimated US\$150m.

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Qatar Airways to Track Its Aircraft Minute by Minute

The Qatari airline will soon be in a position to monitor the position of its long-haul aircraft minute-by-minute. It will deploy new GlobalBeacon technologies.

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Heathrow Plans 25,000 More Flights a Year as Revenue Increases

Heathrow Airport is planning an extra 25,000 flights per year from 2021 on its existing runways to give the UK a 'Brexit Boost' as nine month revenues rise.

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Regulations & Safety



IATA Forecasts Passenger Demand to Double Over 20 Years

The International Air Transport Association (IATA) expects 7.2 billion passengers to travel in 2035, a near doubling of the 3.8 billion air travelers in 2016. The prediction is based on a 3.7% annual Compound Average Growth Rate (CAGR) noted in the release of the latest update to the association's 20-Year Air Passenger Forecast.

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Transforming the Passenger Journey

The International Air Transport Association (IATA) laid out a transformative vision for air travel that will enable aviation to successfully accommodate a near doubling in demand for air travel over the next two decades.

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US Airlines Protest New DOT Consumer Rules

US transportation secretary Anthony Foxx told reporters on a conference call that the initiatives are aimed at ensuring "fair treatment and fair play" for airline passengers.

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Manufacturers



Airbus Celebrates the Delivery of Its 10,000th Aircraft

The 10,000th Airbus delivery comes as the manufacturer achieves its highest level of production ever and is on track to deliver at least 650 aircraft this year from its extensive product line.

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Mitsubishi Regional Jet Begins US Flight Tests

Mitsubishi Aircraft Corporation has started flight tests of its Mitsubishi Regional Jet (MRJ) program at the company's Moses Lake Flight Test Centre just outside Washington State in the United States.



GE Aviation Completes Initial Ground Testing of GE9X Engine

GE Aviation has completed the initial ground testing of the first full GE9X development engine, which will power Boeing's 777X aircraft that is scheduled to begin production in 2017, with first delivery in 2020.

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Airbus Offers a Peek at Its Flying Taxi

The drawings depict a craft that can take off and land vertically. It has helicopter-like struts, and two sets of tilting wings each with four electric motors. There's room for a passenger under a canopy.

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MRO



Lufthansa Technik to Provide Paperless Maintenance

The electronic job sheet (eJobcard) has already been introduced at all German line maintenance stations, and the Ground Log Book (GLB), a paper-based document, has been replaced with the electronic Ground Log (eGL). In this way, the world's largest MRO provider is already saving hundreds of thousands of pages of paper each year, and in the future this will reach millions of pages.



The U.S. Navy Awards BAE Systems a Contract Worth US\$52m

The U.S. Navy has awarded BAE Systems a five-year contract worth as much as US\$52m to provide essential maintenance and testing support for various air traffic control and landing systems.

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Pratt & Whitney Signs an Agreement with Satair Group

Pratt & Whitney, a United Technologies Corp. (NYSE: UTX) company announced that it has entered into an agreement with Satair Group, for the exclusive distribution of PW4000 100-inch engine thrust reverser spare parts.

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Accidents & Investigation



Emergency Landing in Canada: Smoke in Lufthansa Jumbo Jet Cockpit

A Lufthansa Boeing 747 jumbo jet with 363 people on board made an emergency landing in eastern Canada on Tuesday after being diverted due to smoke in the cockpit, the German airline says.



Cracked Windscreen: Passengers Taken Off Flight at Dunedin Airport

Passengers faced lengthy delays at Dunedin Airport yesterday, after a crack was discovered in the windscreen of a Virgin Australia flight bound for Brisbane.

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Air India Plane with 128 Passengers Suffers Tyre Burst

An Air India plane carrying 128 passengers and crew members from Ahmedabad suffered a tyre burst while landing at the city airport Tuesday morning.

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Militarty & Defence



Russia-India Sign Agreement to Jointly Produce Ka-226T Helicopters

The first nine helicopters will be produced in Russia and the remaining 140 helicopters are being planned in India, Rostec said.



Rwanda's Humanitarian Drone Delivery Service Changing the World

The Rwandan government has begun using drones to make up to 150 on-demand, emergency deliveries per day of life-saving blood to 21 transfusing facilities located in the western half of the country.





Russia to Test PAK FA Fighters With Operational Engines in Late 2017

The PAK FA fighter was first seen in January 2010 when it was presented at the air show MAKS-2011. The fighter jet is expected to join the Air Force of the Russian Federation in 2016.

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CAE Wins Defence Contracts Valued at More than C\$100 Million

Some of the key contracts include the United States Air Force exercising a contract option for CAE USA to continue providing KC-135 tanker aircrew training services; the United States Navy exercising a contract option for CAE USA to continue providing T-44C aircrew training services; Rotorsim to provide long-term maintenance and support services on a variety of helicopter simulators; and Insitu to provide ScanEagle remotely piloted aircraft system (RPAS) instructors.

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