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## **Korean Airlines decides for Lufthansa System's NetLine Solutions**

**South Korean national flag carrier to enhance network planning and scheduling with NetLine/Plan and NetLine/Sched**

**Raunheim, 23 June 2022** – Lufthansa Systems today announced Korean Airlines as a new customer of its network planning system NetLine/Plan and schedule management solution NetLine/Sched.

Designed to meet the demands for operational integrity and effortless schedule management the combination of these two products is an ideal solution for Korean Airlines. It not only provides Korean Airlines with modern and efficient planning and scheduling tools but it also enables them to respond rapidly to any competitor actions and sales and marketing initiatives that may impact their schedule and operations.

“We are impressed by Lufthansa Systems’ network planning and scheduling tools, which enable network optimization by automating complicated calculations required for analysis. We are very excited to be a new Lufthansa Systems’ customer, and expect the NetLine products to enable us to enhance our network to meet our customers’ needs and provide stable schedule operations,” said Jeong Soo Park, Managing Vice President and Director of Passenger Network at Korean Airlines.

The South Korean carrier identified the potential to enhance and improve their network planning capability with Lufthansa Systems’ advanced network planning and scheduling applications. NetLine/Plan along with NetLine/Sched provides Korean Airlines with the capacity to optimize their network and increase profitability and resilience of their schedules. “It was an intensive vendor selection process, listening carefully to Korean Air’s needs and always providing them with the necessary expertise and clarification to enable them to make the right decision,” explained Sergej Bukovac, Project Manager at Lufthansa Systems.

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For the first time the South Korean national carrier will also introduce a comprehensive optimizer portfolio with the Lufthansa Systems NetLine Fleet Assigner. The ability to optimize the network and schedule at any point in the planning lifecycle will deliver the flexibility and speed-to-market that Korean Airlines demands. “Sharing the same vision to optimize Network Planning with the industry’s most accurate forecast and planning systems beyond managing everyday life as network schedule planners, we were able to create a win-win strategy while valuing this all-important relationship with Korean Air,” stated Kazuya Ota, Lufthansa Systems Vice President, Far East Asia and Taiwan.

## **About NetLine/Plan**

NetLine/Plan supports network planners in maximizing profitability across their airline’s entire schedule. It includes balancing commercial constraints, evaluating potential schedule changes in the form of business cases, including new destinations, frequency/time changes, aircraft up/down-gauges, and partnership scenarios with codeshares or alliances. As of today, 17 major airlines from around the world trust NetLine/Plan for their network planning business cases.

## **About NetLine/Sched**

NetLine/Sched supports all aspects of schedule development and schedule management, such as schedule visualization and modification, alternative schedule scenarios and their profitability evaluation. It provides additional Slot Management and Slot Monitoring Modules. NetLine/Sched Slot Manager and NetLine/Sched Slot Monitor are fully integrated with the core system. NetLine/Sched Slot Manager facilitates the complete slot handling process over the whole slot season. NetLine/Sched Slot Manager helps airlines to avoid losing valuable historic slots rights as it tracks all planned and actual cancellations in real-time and alerts in case of critical ones. Above this, the NetLine/Sched Slot Management modules work perfectly stand-alone with any existing third-party scheduling and operations solutions.

Optimizers help the airline to increase aircraft productivity or make capacity adjustments for better profitability to meet ad hoc changes. A comprehensive slot management functionality supports the communication with the slot coordinators and the monitoring of historic slots.

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Caption (Copyright: Lufthansa Systems): Korean Air is a new customer of NetLine/Plan and NetLine/Sched. This enables the airline to deal with the toughest network planning and schedule challenges and leverages efficiency and profitability of the South Korean carrier.

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## **About Korean Airlines**

Korean Air, established in 1969, is one of the world's top 20 airlines and carried more than 27 million passengers in 2019, pre-COVID. The airline serves 120 cities in 43 countries on five continents; it has a modern fleet of 154 aircraft and employs over 20,000 professional employees. Its global hub is at Incheon International Airport (ICN) and its core businesses are passenger, cargo, aerospace, and aviation maintenance and repair. Korean Air is a founding member of the SkyTeam airline alliance – 18 member airlines working together across an extensive global network to welcome 676 million customers each year on more than 15,445 daily flights to 1,036 destinations in 170 countries (pre-COVID). Korean Air's joint venture with Delta Air Lines has produced significant expediency and access to hundreds of destinations in the Americas on Delta and 80 points in Asia on Korean Air. Korean Air and Delta co-locate in Incheon's beautiful Terminal 2, making connections between Asia and America some of the industry's quickest. With more than 50 years of serving the world, Korean Air's vision is to be a respected leader in the world airline community, dedicated to providing Excellence in Flight. Its commitment to airline safety, cleanliness and comfort are renowned. More on Korean Air's programs, routes, frequencies and partners is available at [www.koreanair.com](http://www.koreanair.com).

## **About Lufthansa Systems**

Lufthansa Systems GmbH & Co. KG is a leading airline IT provider determined to shape the future of digital aviation. It draws its unique strengths from its ability to combine profound industry know-how with forward-looking technological expertise and has lived by its slogan "We're into IT" for more than 25 years. A wholly-owned subsidiary of the Lufthansa Group, the company offers its more than 350 customers an extensive range of successful IT products and services for the aviation industry, many of which are market leaders. Lufthansa Systems' pioneering portfolio covers all of an airline's business processes – in the flight deck, in the cabin and on the ground. As a tech company and airline IT provider, Lufthansa Systems is committed to identifying its own environmental footprint and improving that of its airline customers across the globe. Headquartered in Raunheim near Frankfurt/Main, Germany, Lufthansa Systems employs around 2,400 people at its locations in 16 countries.

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