



# CARGOLUX TO EMPLOY MORE PILOTS AND REPLACE FREIGHTERS

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**Cargolux** International Airlines' board has approved 100 additional **pilot** jobs in Luxembourg and is to **replace** two Boeing 747-400 Freighters with three nose-door equipped 747-400F.

The carrier made the expansion plans at a board meeting on 25 November and fleet upgrades will expand its fleet from 25 to 26 747 aircraft until the third quarter of 2016.

The next meeting over the collective work agreement with the unions is scheduled to take place on 30 November and Cargolux says it is confident based on the board's decision an agreement can be reached subject to LCGB accepting the job security agreement and a compromise on remaining open items.

Following yesterday's board approval, Cargolux explains it will implement a series of investments which it says confirms the airline's aim to be the 'Global Cargo Carrier of Choice' and strengthen

its position.

The airline says: “Cargolux will hire an additional 120 staff in 2016 including 100 new pilots in Luxembourg. With this measure, the company aims to improve the current roster situation as well as the work-life balance among its crews. The introduction of enhanced part-time and stand-by systems for its pilots further supports this goal.

“The board’s decisions underline Cargolux’s ambition as a truly global player and set the company firmly on a continued path of growth and strength.

“Despite the challenges of a potential industry action by one of its unions, Cargolux is confident that the above investments in flexibility and reliability for its customers as well as work-life balance for our crews will bring sustainable benefits for all stakeholders.”

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