



# RIGA AIRPORT EXPANDS ITS ROUTE NETWORK AND INCREASES SEAT CAPACITY FOR THE SUMMER SEASON

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**In the upcoming summer season, passengers travelling from Riga Airport will benefit from a broader range of destinations, a new airline, and increased flight frequencies on high-demand routes, providing more convenient travel options for both business and leisure. During this summer season, which begins on 29 March, the total number of scheduled passenger flights at Riga Airport will increase by 11% compared to summer 2025, while the number of available seats will grow by 7%. This expansion will further improve connectivity to key business and leisure destinations, as well as major European aviation hubs.**

The growth will be driven by the return of Scandinavian Airlines to Riga, alongside expanded operations by the national carrier airBaltic, as well as LOT, Finnair, Turkish Airlines, the low-cost carrier Norwegian, and other airlines, through the launch of new routes and increased frequencies on existing ones.

Since early March, SAS has resumed operations between Riga and Copenhagen with up to three daily flights, returning to Riga Airport after several years. This significantly strengthens connectivity

not only within Europe but also enables convenient one-stop connections to long-haul destinations in North America and beyond.

During the summer season, airBaltic will expand its route network from Riga with several new destinations: Oulu, Finland – five times weekly from 29 March; Kaunas, Lithuania – five times weekly from 29 March; and Antalya, Turkey – twice weekly from 2 May (previously operated by airBaltic as charter services).

In addition, airBaltic will resume routes to Yerevan (three times weekly), Belgrade (twice weekly), and Aberdeen (twice weekly). The airline will also enhance connectivity with Warsaw, launching flights three times weekly from 30 March, and with Sweden, operating twice-weekly flights to Gothenburg from 13 April.

Passengers will also be able to travel to Gothenburg and Bergen twice weekly with the low-cost carrier Norwegian, which is expanding its presence at Riga Airport with these new routes.

Airline operations to the Middle East are currently affected by the ongoing war, making it difficult to reliably predict when and to what extent flights to destinations in this region will resume or continue.

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