



# NEW PLAYER ON CARGO TRANSPORTATION MARKET - AVION EXPRESS

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Originally established as a cargo and passenger airline back in 2005, Avion Express, leading ACMI operator with 15 years of experience, announced re-entering the airfreight market. This move comes as a response to a rapidly changing situation in the market. Although commercial passenger flights were suspended around the world due to coronavirus pandemic, cargo-carrying flights are in huge demand now. Passenger aircraft are being turned into cargo to carry medical supply, equipment of various kinds, industrial parts and high-demand consumer goods.

**“The transportation doesn’t stop with passenger flights being suspended. While the very last repatriation flights are still taking place, people and organizations around the world are in great need of supplies, food, medical equipment. As Avion Express has always been characterized by its flexibility, we are now adapting our operations in accordance with market requirements. Although we are currently mostly focusing on the transportation of humanitarian aid and medical equipment in the fight against COVID-19, other cargo requests are also very welcomed and thoroughly considered”, - said Darius Kajokas, CEO Avion Express.**



Avion Express is ready to offer freight capabilities of up to 17 tonnes of cargo with A320, and up to 24 tonnes with A321 in the cargo compartment as well as in the cabin. Currently, numerous A320s and A321s, based in Central and Eastern Europe are ready for service. With an FAA approval for a subsidiary airline Avion Express Malta in place, the company can also offer cargo transportation to and from the US.

Last year was a record year for Avion Express – the company reached record yearly production results of over 60,200 block hours (BH) accounting for a 15% year-on-year production increase. During 2019 Avion Express not only expanded its fleet to the all-time high number of 22 Airbus A320 family aircraft but also broadened its clients’ base with quite some well-recognized airline names.

Setting the platform to enter the USA and Canadian markets, in May 2019 Avion Express has successfully established a subsidiary airline in Malta, named Avion Express Malta. The FAA approved airline operates Airbus A320 family aircraft.

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