

QATAR AIRWAYS SELECTS SITA TO TRANSFORM NETWORK INFRASTRUCTURE

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Qatar Airways & SITA partnered to transform airline's global network infrastructure with state-of-the-art secure access service edge solutions that boost connectivity, operational efficiency, and security. As part of the transformation SITA will deploy its Secure SD-WAN, [SITA Connect Go](#), which offers agile, scalable, and secure access to airline systems and applications, by connecting infrastructure outstations and airports to Qatar Airways' hybrid cloud infrastructure, and to the airline's partner systems.

Qatar Airways is among the first airlines globally to adopt SITA Connect Go, which is a new Secure SD-WAN solution designed specifically for the air transport industry. The solution was developed in partnership with Versa Networks, the recognized SASE leader. It offers a software-based solution that allows multiple airlines, ground handlers, and tenants to digitally transform at their own pace.

By leveraging SITA's network solution, Qatar Airways will achieve significant strategic benefits. These include:

- Cost optimization resulting from faster connectivity and streamlined operations.
- Higher capacity bandwidth with multiple connection types managed centrally with holistic network performance visibility.
- SD-WAN gateways providing compatibility, ensuring a smooth transition to the new network architecture and the flexibility to innovate with new digital products and services that improve the passenger experience.

Mr. A.T. Srinivasan, Qatar Airways Group CIO, commented: "Qatar Airways is always looking for innovative technology solutions that will enable the group to optimize day-to-day network operations with increased speed, reliability, security, and flexibility – thereby enabling best-in-class connectivity across key operations. We are committed to continually improving operations and the passenger experience, and to procuring systems that will serve as a solid foundation for future innovation."

Hani El Asaad, President, Middle East & Africa, SITA, said: "We are delighted to collaborate with Qatar Airways, an industry leader renowned for its commitment to innovation and excellence. Data and connectivity remain the backbone of our industry, and ensuring fast, secure, and reliable connections is crucial to optimizing airline operations and improving the passenger experience. This partnership marks a significant milestone in the evolution of air travel technology, exemplifying our dedication to transforming travel and transport through cutting-edge solutions."

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