



# SINGAPORE SOARS AS THE MAIN ARTERY BETWEEN EUROPE AND AUSTRALIA

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**As regional airspace closures continue and the Middle East conflict disrupts traditional flight paths, business continuation is proving essential to the health of national and global economies, with Singapore as the main artery between Europe and Australia. New figures from the flagship business travel divisions of Flight Centre Travel Group, FCM Travel and Corporate Traveller, show a strong, swift response from customers as they shift their travel patterns.**

The fresh statistics show that booking volumes between Europe and Australia via Changi – the world's fourth busiest airport with 42,6 million seats in 2025 – soared by 38 per cent between Monday, 02 March, and Sunday, 15 March, compared with the two weeks prior

This growth highlights the importance of flexible travel in keeping things moving during international disruptions. The ability to keep businesses moving – despite geopolitics and disrupted air routes – remains critical to the stability of both local and global economies.

Companies are adapting rapidly, channelling business traffic through resilient flight corridors to

protect economies, safeguard supply chains, and maintain vital connections.

This swift response is not just about keeping seats filled but also about fuelling growth, protecting jobs, and giving markets the confidence they need to operate, even in periods of uncertainty.

Steve Norris, Flight Centre Travel Group Managing Director, EMEA commented: "The safety and well-being of our customers and staff is our top priority – we continue to closely and actively monitor the situation. Business travel is known for its resilience and flexibility, with companies looking at alternative routes that are safe to travel through, rather than cancelling. Global economies don't stop, and our latest data show that corporates continue to find ways to get deals done through alternative routes. The majority of Europe to Australia flight connections operate via Asian hubs, not the Middle East, including Singapore and other regional airports, with these routes continuing to operate normally. Travel Managers and passengers should note that seat availability on these alternative routes is limited and subject to rapid change. Securing a booking is essential. As a travel management company, we continue to assist as we can access different inventory systems, manage re-bookings, and handle ticketing complexities, significantly easing the burden on travellers and their companies."

Corporate travel managers face shifting inventory on these alternative routes. These conditions require rapid decision-making, global policy standardisation, and agile programme design.

Travel programmes help access diverse inventory systems and resolve ticketing complexities. This infrastructure helps travel managers, and in turn their passengers, navigate regional disruptions.

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