



SAS RETURNS TO RIGA, STRENGTHENING CONNECTIVITY TO GLOBAL MARKETS

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Scandinavian Airlines will launch three daily flights on the Riga–Copenhagen route starting March 8, 2026, significantly increasing frequency and capacity between the two capitals. The new services will enhance Riga Airport’s connectivity with one of Northern Europe’s leading aviation hubs – Copenhagen Airport (CPH) – and open broader opportunities for long-haul travel, including to the United States.

Copenhagen is already one of Riga Airport’s most popular destinations. SAS joining the route will bring a substantial increase in capacity and competition, offering passengers greater flexibility in planning their journeys and more convenient onward connections to long-haul flights operated by SAS and other carriers.

Laila Odiņa, Chairperson of the Board of Riga Airport commented: “Additional flights to Copenhagen mean even better connectivity for our passengers and a wider choice for both

business and leisure travellers. Copenhagen Airport is one of Northern Europe's key aviation hubs, and increased capacity on this route strengthens Riga Airport's role as the Baltic region's aviation gateway. Competition on the route always benefits passengers – more flights, more flexible schedules and more competitive fares.”

Connections to the United States have long been among the most demanded unserved routes from Riga. The additional services to Copenhagen – one of Northern Europe's leading transfer hubs with an extensive transatlantic network – will significantly improve one-stop access for Baltic passengers to destinations such as New York, Washington, Boston, and other major North American cities.

SAS's return to Riga Airport with flights to Copenhagen marks a new chapter in the airline's presence in Latvia. SAS first launched scheduled services to Riga in 1990 but discontinued them in 2008. With the start of the 2026 summer season, direct flights to the Danish capital will resume after an extended break, further enhancing Riga Airport's route network and providing Latvian businesses and travellers with improved access to global markets.

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