

## **Successful partnership: Korean Air Cargo and Vienna Airport extend cooperation in cargo handling**

**Korean Air Cargo continues to rely on the proven cargo handling quality of Vienna Airport. A four-year extension of the existing handling contract between the airport and the Korean airline has been signed and will now run until the end of 2028. Thus, Vienna Airport is continuing its successful partnership with Korean Air Cargo, which has been in place since the airline's first flight to Vienna in 2004.**

“The successful partnership between Korean Air Cargo and Vienna Airport has been extended for another four years - a strong sign of the trust and cooperation that has connected our companies for 20 years. Together we will continue to develop cargo handling between Seoul and Vienna at the highest level and expand our position as a leading European cargo hub. Austria, its neighbouring countries and Asia will thus remain closely linked economic zones through international airfreight traffic in the future. We look forward to continuing this success story”, states Julian Jäger, joint CEO and COO of Vienna Airport.

“We are delighted to announce our continued partnership with Vienna Airport. Our co-operation has led to successful business results, and we are confident that this contract extension will lead to further growth and development. We look forward to providing our customers with the best possible transport services and further strengthening Vienna Airport's position as a major hub for logistics in Eastern Europe”, says Eum Jaedong, Executive Vice President and Head of Cargo Division at Korean Air Cargo.

“The extension of the Korean Air Cargo contract until 2028 is clear proof of Vienna Airport's strength as an air cargo hub. At the site we offer comprehensive services, modern infrastructure and a dedicated team that ensures maximum efficiency and reliability. Korean Air Cargo is one of the most important cargo airlines at the site and we look forward to further expanding our good collaboration”, says Michael Zach, Senior Vice President Ground Handling & Cargo Operations of Vienna Airport.

### **Vienna Airport intensifies cooperation with Korean Air Cargo and Incheon Airport**

The collaboration between Korean Air Cargo and Vienna Airport has been continuously adapted and deepened over the years, most recently as part of an extended cooperation agreement in Seoul-Incheon (ICN) on the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the partnership in 2024. This agreement was signed to intensify the cooperation in order to meet the increasing demand for air cargo services between Korea and Vienna as a hub for Central and Eastern Europe. In addition to the extended handling contract, both sides plan joint marketing initiatives and knowledge transfer in areas such as logistics systems as well as the expansion of optimal services for freight forwarders and customers. The new Memorandum of Understanding with Incheon Airport also strengthens Vienna Airport's position as a leading European cargo hub for the transportation of goods between Asia and Europe and supports the long-term partnership between the two locations.

### **Korean Air Cargo: major cargo carrier worldwide**

Korean Air Cargo is one of the world's leading cargo airlines and currently connects Vienna Airport with up to ten flights per week to international economic centers. The Korean airline operates a fleet of Boeing 747-400Fs, Boeing 747-8Fs and Boeing 777Fs. For the airline, Vienna Airport is an important gateway for electronic and pharma goods from Asia.

### **About Vienna Airport as a cargo hub**

Thanks to its geographically favourable location in Europe, Vienna Airport has positioned itself as an important global cargo hub for Central and Eastern Europe. Vienna Airport is used by leading cargo airlines, especially for intercontinental transport. The airport offers rapid transshipment times based on its 24/7 operational readiness. Ten Category F aircraft parking bays (Boeing 747, Antonov 124) in close proximity to the terminal buildings are available for air cargo. Vienna Airport is firmly anchored in the European network of air cargo road feeder services. The most important consumer and business centres in Central and Eastern Europe are accessed within 24 or 48 hours. Flughafen Wien AG, which is publicly traded on the Vienna Stock Exchange, is one of the biggest employers in the region, featuring a workforce of more than 5,500 people.

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