

Lufthansa Group orders additional 40 Airbus A220s

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Toulouse, 19 December 2023 - Lufthansa Group's Supervisory Board decided to place a firm order for an additional 40 A220-300s for its short and medium-haul fleet. The A220 has been in service with the Group since 2016, when SWISS put the first aircraft into scheduled service.

"With today's order for 40 additional Airbus A220s, we are continuing our unique partnership with Airbus," said Carsten Spohr, Chairman of the Executive Board and CEO of Deutsche Lufthansa AG. "Just a few months ago, as the largest airline customer, we received our 600th aircraft from Airbus, and we look forward to taking delivery of number 700. Our customers are looking forward to these additional modern, economical, and fuel-efficient aircraft."

"The Lufthansa Group was one of the first customers for the A220 and has successfully operated the aircraft in its SWISS route network ever since. We are delighted by this testimony of confidence from our long-standing partner and customer," said Christian Scherer, Chief Commercial Officer and Head of Airbus International. "As the only clean sheet design aircraft and specifically designed for the 100-150 seat market the A220 is the most efficient solution in its category to support Lufthansa Group meeting its ambitious decarbonisation objectives."

With its latest order Lufthansa reinforces its long standing relationship with Airbus. Since the A300 in the 1970's, Lufthansa Group has operated all members of the Airbus product family, from the A220, A320-Family, A330 / A340, A350 and the A380.

The latest state-of-the-art A220-300 is the larger sibling of the successful A220 Family, carrying between 120 to 150 passengers on flights of up to 3,450 nautical miles (6,390 km). The aircraft offers 25% lower fuel burn and CO₂ emissions per seat compared to previous generation aircraft. It also has the largest cabin, seats and windows in its class, ensuring superior comfort.

As with all Airbus aircraft, the A220 is already able to operate with up to 50% Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF). All Airbus commercial, military aircraft and helicopters will be capable of being operated with up to 100% SAF by 2030.

By the end of November, Airbus won 849 orders from 31 customers for the A220, of which 303 have been delivered. The A220 is already in successful service with 18 airlines worldwide on 1,350+ routes.

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