

# AVIATION AFRICA 2018 - CAIRO

'Securing Strategy for Africa's Success'

# Freight: Why Africa's cargo carriers should be embracing change and growing the freight markets

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### Who we are – What we do



- All-Cargo Airline which is based at JKIA, Nairobi and operational for 18 years.
- Designated a National Carrier Cargo by MoT Kenya

### - SCHEDULED FREIGHTER EX NAIROBI

- Europe > London Stansted & Liege
- Intra-Africa > Tanzania (Dar, Mwanza, Zanzibar), Rwanda (Kigali), Somalia (Mogadishu & Hargeisa), S Sudan (Juba), Mozambique (Pemba & Nampula), Comoros (Moroni)
- Fleet is Fokker 27 (6t), DC9F (15t), B727F (23t) & B747-400F (110t)
- Interlines with 6 African Airlines in addition to 16 Airlines from Europe, Middle East & Asia.
- Member of AFRAA, TIACA, KEPSA, KNCCI, KAAO & WCA.
- Voted Best African All Cargo Airline in 2017, 2015, 2013 and 2011.









# **Growth of air transport**



### **Share of Freight Tonne - Kilometres by region in 2016**



## Ranking of African Airports Total Freight Traffic, 2016



#### In 2016:

- The total freight moved in worldwide airports grew up: 3.7%
- The total freight moved through the African airports reached 1.8 million tonnes.

#### The region continues to grow:

- **1**+ 0.1% in all-cargo and mail movements
- **1 + 0.2%** in total freight traffic
  - + 7.1% in total mail

#### The top 15 African airports:

- 4-1.0% in all-cargo and mail movements
- **1 + 0.6%** in total freight traffic
- + 8.2% in total mail
  - ✓ The share of the top 15 airports in Africa total freight is 89%
  - The share of top 15 airports in world total freight is 1.7%
  - ✓ For 2016 the ranking welcomes: Maya-Maya, International Airport of Brazzaville

# **Airline Traffic rankings in 2016**

**Total Scheduled Freight Tonne-Kilometres (FTK)** 







#### **INTRA AFRICA NETWORK**

## Existing Intra-African Hubs

- **East Africa:** Nairobi & Addis Ababa.
- South Africa: Johannesburg.
- West Africa: Lagos.
- North Africa: Casablanca & Cairo.
- > Airlines operating on the Intra African Network
  - East Africa: Astral, Ethiopian Cargo & Kenya Airways Cargo
  - **South Africa:** SAA Cargo.
  - West Africa: Allied Air & DHL Aviation.
  - **North Africa:** Egyptair Cargo & Royal Air Maroc.



FREIGHTERS ON INTRA AFRICAN NETWORK

Astral Aviation Ethiopian Airlines Cargo Kenya Airways Cargo SAA Cargo Allied Air Cargo DHL Aviation Egyptair Cargo **Royal Air Maroc** 

B747-400F / B727F / DC9F / F27F B777-200LRF / B757-260F / B737-800F B737-300F B737-300F MD-11F / B737-400F C208, ATR42/72, B737-400F A300F / A330-200F / B737-800F B737F / B767F

**POSITIVE STEPS – LIBERALIZATION :** 



### Creation of "Single African Air Transport Market" in 2018 by 23 African

countries will improve market access, connectivity and new traffic.

### Single African Air Transport Market (SAATM)

23 countries have signed the solemn comittment :

Benin, Burkina Faso, Botswana, Capo Verde, Republic of Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Egypt, Ethiopia, Gabon, Ghana, Guinea Conakry, Kenya, Liberia, Mali, Mozambique, Nigeria, Rwanda, Senegal, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Swaziland, Togo and Zimbabwe

- Total GDP (2015): 1450 Billion US Dollars
- Potential passengers greater than 200 million per year
- Cover 75% of Intra African Air Transport

#### Benefits of the SAATM

- Air service connectivity
- Over 25% lower fares
- Creation of jobs
- African integration
- Convenience and ease of travel
- Time saving
- Enhanced intra-African trade
- Contribution to tourism growth
- Sustainable growth of African Airlines
- Increase in National GDPs
- Reliable services
- Better utilization / reduction of cost of operations
- Enhancement of aviation down-stream sector activities

**POSITIVE STEPS : REGIONAL TRADE** 



Creation of Continental Free Trade Area (CFTA) between 44 African countries

will boost regional trade and enable significant growth in the air-cargo sector.

# AFRICAN CONTINENTAL FREE TRADE AREA CREATING ONE AFRICAN MARKET

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**POSITIVE STEPS - GROWTH** 

Aviation Sector

Infrastructure:

> Middle Class:

Lobbying:

Positive Growth in the African Aviation sector and emergence of new airlines / fleet.

Development of airport infrastructure / PPP's

Growth in the Middle Class population (300M / 35%) and role of e-commerce and mobile pay.

AU, AFCAC, AFRAA, ICAO & IATA





INTRA-AFRICA sector has the highest growth rate (10-15%pa) and offers immense opportunities for African airlines.

HUB's of Johannesburg, Nairobi, Addis Ababa, Lagos and Cairo offer good opportunities and connectivity to their domiciled airlines.

CHALLENGES do exist for African airlines however the OPPORTUNITIES of further liberalization (SAATM) and increase in regional trade (CFTA) will boost the intra-African sector.

AFRICAN AIRLINES will need to invest in more freighters and expand into new regional markets, as the intra African sector will offer better yields and profitability.

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