Press Release



Condor and the Mexican airline Volaris enter into partnership

New destinations in Mexico extend Condor's route network

Frankfurt, September 17, 2012 – Condor is entering into collaboration with the Mexican airline Volaris, making it easy to reach new destinations in Mexico. From October 1, 2012, passengers will be able to fly to Mexico City via the Condor destination of Cancun, and flights will soon be available to Guadalajara, Puebla and Toluca as well. Flights can already be booked on the Condor website www.condor.com.

"These collaborations with our partner airlines have allowed us to increase Condor's route network to around 140 international destinations", says Jens Boyd, Revenue Management & Distribution Manager at Condor. "With Volaris, Condor passengers will be able to enjoy an essentially relaxed and above all time-saving journey to Mexico."

On the outbound flight, passengers must collect their baggage in Cancun and take it through customs themselves. Baggage can then be left at the nearest Volaris check-in desk, where passengers also collect their boarding passes for the onward flight. Baggage will be checked through on the return flight, and passengers need to provide their secure flight details to collect their boarding passes at the Condor check-in in Cancun.

One of the destinations that will be easier to reach thanks to this collaboration with Volaris is Mexico City, the capital of Mexico and a place of great significance in the country's cultural heritage. The largest and oldest cathedral in the Americas is located in the historic center, as well as the archeological site of the former temple precinct of Tenochtitlan, the capital city of the Aztec Empire. The "floating gardens" in the Xochimilco district, rafts of brightly colored vegetation in an artificially created canal system, have been a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1987. The ruined city of Teotihuacán is not far from Mexico City, and is most famous for its Pyramid of the Sun, which dates back to 200 BC, and has also been declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site. As you would expect, a wide range of cultures are represented in Mexico City in its many museums and distinctive theaters.

Besides operating flights to many dream destinations in the Caribbean, Condor and its partners Volaris, Copa Airlines and Gol Transportes Aéreos also fly to a large number of vacation destinations in Latin America. Numerous additional destinations are also on offer in North America and Hawaii, thanks to Condor's partnership with Air North and Alaska Airlines/Horizon, while many more destinations in South-East Asia can be reached on partner airline Bangkok Airways.

Flights from Frankfurt to Mexico City are available starting from all-inclusive one-way prices of 499,99 Euro in Economy Class, 649,99 Euro in Premium Economy, and 1099,99 Euro in Comfort Class.

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Condor Flugdienst GmbH has been flying passengers on vacation to the loveliest destinations in the world since 1956. It is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Thomas Cook, one of the world's leading tour operators. Each year, Condor flies more than six million passengers to about 75 destinations in Europe, Asia, Africa and America. The leisure airline's fleet comprises 37 modern, eco-friendly aircrafts: twelve Airbus A320s, one Airbus A321, thirteen Boeing 757-300s and eleven Boeing 767-300s. All Boeing aircrafts are serviced by Condor Technik GmbH, while the Airbus fleet is serviced by Condor Berlin GmbH. Both these companies are wholly-owned subsidiaries of Condor Flugdienst GmbH.

Volaris first took off in 2003 when the Discovery Americas I and Columbia Equity Partners funds joined efforts with TACA Airlines to create a new low-cost airline to serve the Mexican market, in a cost efficient approach that would enable a greater number of Mexicans to experience air travel. Volaris first crossed the skies in March 13, 2006, on an inaugural flight from Toluca to Tijuana. Volaris' vision is, "To transcend by creating and living the best travel experiences", in addition to the mission, "with the best people and at the lowest costs, to enable more people to travel... WELL!"

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