

Media Release



AWAS delivers first MD-11 Freighter to Cargoitalia

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Dublin based lessor, AWAS, delivered the first MD-11 freighter to the re-launched cargo carrier Cargoitalia.

The Milan based operator will operate connections from Milan Malpensa to New York, Toronto and Abu Dhabi. The aircraft will enter into service later this month.

"We are delighted to be working with a market leading lessor such as AWAS as we have set ourselves the objective of being the market leader in Italy. We are confident the re-launched Cargoitalia can be a success with this AWAS owned MD-11." said Cargoitalia Chief Executive Officer, Giacomo Manzon.

Peter Ellison, Head of Sales at AWAS said "We are extremely pleased to be part of Cargoitalia's re-launch into the cargo market. This delivery signifies the beginning of Cargoitalia's path to becoming a leading player in the cargo market in Europe.

About AWAS

Headquartered in Dublin, with offices in New York, Miami, and Singapore, AWAS is one of the largest aircraft leasing companies in the world. The company is managed by a highly experienced team of commercial aviation industry professionals serving markets in The Americas, Europe, Middle East, and Asia/Pacific.

AWAS owns a portfolio of more than 214 modern aircraft with a further 129 aircraft on order from Airbus and Boeing including a number of next generation aircraft. The aircraft portfolio is on lease to over 90 airline customers in 48 countries. The AWAS

fleet features a full range of aircraft types and the company became one of the first lessors to order both the Boeing 787 and the Airbus A350XWB.

Through the order of up to 50 new Boeing aircraft and up to 100 Airbus aircraft in 2007, AWAS now offers new fuel-efficient and environmentally-friendly aircraft to their customers.

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