



AWAS announces lease placement of 767-300ER with New Customer EL AL

AWAS adds prestigious, international carrier to its global customer base

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Dublin based aircraft lessor, AWAS, announced today that it has entered into an agreement to lease a Boeing 767-300ER to EL AL, the flag carrier airline of Israel. Beginning service in 1948, EL AL was recently recognized by IATA as one of the world's top three most efficient airlines.

"This 767-300ER aircraft that we are receiving from AWAS will help us to provide our customers with even more reliable and comfortable international service," remarked Elyezer Shkedy, CEO of EL AL. "We are pleased with this inaugural agreement with AWAS, their team listened to us and provided accelerated access to an aircraft that met our business needs. With the introduction of this 767-300ER into our fleet, it will assist us to further improve our cost base, and maximize operational efficiencies."

"AWAS is very pleased to add EL AL as a customer," said Ray Sisson, President & CEO of AWAS. "We look forward to supporting their operation and growth for many years to come."

About AWAS

AWAS is one of the leading aircraft leasing companies and recently celebrated its 25th year of serving customers around the globe. The company is managed by a highly experienced and dedicated team of commercial aviation industry professionals serving markets in The Americas, Europe, Middle East, and Asia/Pacific.

AWAS owns a portfolio of more than 200 modern aircraft with 100+ 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 44 countries. The AWAS fleet features a full range of the most popular aircraft types which includes both narrow-bodied and wide-body aircraft.

AWAS is headquartered in Dublin, with offices in New York, Miami, and Singapore.

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