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Frankfurt-Hahn Airport launches strategic partnership with Somon Air

Frankfurt-Hahn Airport and Somon Air are now working together strategically as part of a cooperation. The operating companies TRIWO Hahn Airport GmbH and LLC Air Company Somon Air signed a Memorandum of Understanding in Dushanbe, the capital of Tajikistan, on May 7, 2025.

Both sides have set themselves the goal of developing passenger and cargo traffic between Tajikistan and Hahn Airport and pooling their expertise and resources as part of the cooperation. The parties have agreed not to disclose the details of the agreement.

"The cooperation with Somon Air fits seamlessly into our strategy of continuously expanding Hahn Airport's route network and opening up new markets," says Ruediger Franke, Managing Director of Frankfurt-Hahn Airport. Abdulkosim Valiev, CEO of Somon Air, adds: "This strategic alliance is an important step for Somon Air to expand its presence in Germany."

Somon Air was founded in 2008 and is a member of the International Air Transport Association (IATA). The fleet currently consists of six Boeing 737-800 and Boeing 737-900 aircraft. Somon Air currently operates regular flights between Tajikistan and Germany, the United Arab Emirates, Turkey, China, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Iran, India, Russia, Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan.

Hahn Airport is an international commercial airport in the heart of Europe. The airport was recently able to significantly increase its passenger numbers: around 1.9 million passengers used the airport in 2024. This corresponds to an increase of around twelve percent compared to 2023. In the first quarter of 2025, Hahn Airport counted more than 440,000 passengers (around 30 percent more) and around 22,000 tons of air freight (up eight percent).

Frankfurt-Hahn Airport has many years of expertise as a cargo location and is one of the few airports in Germany with a 24-hour operating permit. Thanks to its location in the heart of Europe, Hahn Airport offers access to other major economic markets: Trucks can, for example, transport cargo onwards from Hahn to the Netherlands, Belgium or France within a few hours.

Image caption: Abdulkosim Valiev (CEO Somon Air, left) and Ruediger Franke (CEO Frankfurt-Hahn Airport) sign the MoU

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About Frankfurt-Hahn Airport

Frankfurt-Hahn Airport is an important aviation location for passengers and freight, as well a reliable partner for the industry. The airport is characterized by its 24-hour operating permit and short distances. All handling partners and authorities are on site. The length of the runway is 3,800 meters. Frankfurt-Hahn Airport is located in the middle of the "Blue Banana", one of the most important economic areas in Europe, which stretches across Europe from Marseille via Switzerland, western Germany and Benelux to London - which is particularly advantageous for the cargo sector. TRIWO AG has been the owner of the airport since May 2023.

About Somon Air

Somon Air is the national airline of Tajikistan, which has been operating successfully on the international market since 2008 and is the only airline in the country to have joined the IATA (International Air Transport Association). International air transport is the airline's main activity. The base airport is Dushanbe International Airport; Khujand International Airport is also operated.

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