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**DHL AIR UK AND EASYJET SWITZERLAND JOIN THE GROWING LIST OF CTC WINGS PARTNER AIRLINES**

DHL Air UK and easyJet Switzerland join long standing partner airlines British Airways, CityJet, easyJet, Jet2.com, Jetstar Pacific, Monarch, Thomas Cook and Thomsonfly. This brings the total of CTC Wings partner airlines to 10 major operators providing even greater opportunities for the 168 cadet pilots being trained annually by CTC Aviation.

The initial group of DHL cadets commence training in New Zealand next month and the first easyJet Switzerland CTC Wings pilot is close to completion of his Airbus A319 type-rating training at CTC's full flight simulator facilities near Southampton, UK. His line training will commence in Geneva at the end of September.

Lee Woodward Head of CTC Wings and Executive Director for CTC said "Whilst we have been consistently placing pilots with our partner airlines over the past 5 years, it is a significant development for CTC Wings and a true reflection of the calibre of our cadets that DHL has joined CityJet in preselecting their pilots from the outset. easyJet Switzerland operates independently of the UK organisation. They were impressed by the UK cadets and this led to a request for us to supply cadets to the Swiss operation direct. We look forward to placing more pilots with both DHL Air and easyJet Switzerland in the near future as well as continuing our supply to our long standing partners."

CTC has been providing training support for both DHL and easyJet Switzerland through their TRTO operation for several years. This new partnership with CTC Wings is seen as a strengthening of already established relationships.

Tom Mackle, Director Flight Operations for DHL Air said "CTC has a great reputation for quality training and developing innovative solutions. We are working to crew a growing fleet over the next couple of years and will be looking to resource this with a combination of direct entry and cadet pilots. The CTC Wings pilots will form a significant part of our future crew composition."

Licensed pilots from easyJet Switzerland have attended a variety of training courses with CTC over the years; from type-ratings, through command skills development and Instructor training to Examiner Standardisation. It's a natural transition for CTC to supply cadets to the airline into the future.

For more information log on to [www.ctcwings.com](http://www.ctcwings.com) or [www.ctcaviation.com](http://www.ctcaviation.com)

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## About CTC Aviation Group plc

CTC is one of the world's leading full-service airline training providers training over 1200 aircrew for more than 50 global airlines each year. Our UK and NZ based Crew Training Centres house state-of-the-art Airbus and Boeing simulators, hi-tech Computer Based Training facilities and a fleet of the latest, modern technology training aircraft to support our Cadet training programme – CTC Wings; all supported by one of the most experienced teams of Training Captains and Instructors worldwide.

Our corporate philosophy is based around *innovation, flexibility, expertise* and *quality*. We are renowned for developing innovative approaches to airline training and recruitment challenges.

Our portfolio spans the full spectrum of airline training requirements; - pilots and cabin crew; basic licence and ATPL training through to TRE Standardisation; ground school, simulator provision and line training; management and consultancy support; start ups, conversions and recurrent. We have recently launched a range of Airline Software Solutions combining our airline knowledge with the technological skills of our Information Technology team. And finally, CTC Aviation Jet Services Limited provides executive jet management and operational support for both corporate and private clients.

Airline customers include Air New Zealand, Air Malawi, Air Seychelles, British Airways, Jet2.com, easyJet, EuroCypria, Kuwait Airways, Monarch Airlines, NetJets, Royal Brunei Airlines, Thomas Cook Airlines, ThomsonFly, UK CAA, Virgin Atlantic Airways and Vueling.

*CTC Wings* is a unique, comprehensive programme of developmental training for airline pilots. The cadet route takes young people with no flying experience all the way to the right hand seat of a commercial airliner in less than two years. The *CTC Wings* ATP route into the programme provides opportunities for licensed pilots to join at the intermediate phase of training.

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