



EUROCONTROL CONFIRMS THE READINESS OF LGS AND RIGA AIRPORT TO APPLY THE A-CDM PROCEDURES

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Riga Airport, as the first and currently the only airport in the Baltic countries, started using the A-CDM procedures already this April, which allowed the airport to improve the quality of its services and flight safety for both airspace users and passengers. The implementation of A-CDM was carried out jointly by LGS and Riga Airport. The procedure ensures the timely exchange of accurate information between airport operators, aircraft operators, groundhandlers, air traffic controllers and other parties involved in the process from the time of flight planning until the moment when aircraft lands on the runway. This allows for more accurate scheduling of aircraft take-off and reduced passenger waiting times, decreasing the resource and fuel consumption costs associated with pre-departure waiting times and aircraft preparation for flight. It also helps reduce environmental pollution and noise.

By implementing this large-scale project, through a set of operational procedures and automated processes, the A-CDM platform has been created at Riga Airport: appropriate hardware and software have been installed, communication equipment has been purchased for the airport services, and other improvements have been made. LGS, in turn, has upgraded and integrated its relevant air traffic control equipment into the common platform.

“The certificate is a confirmation of the good work done jointly by LGS and Riga Airport and shows that the upgrading of air traffic control during the Covid-19 pandemic has not stopped. Currently, we already witness a significant increase in the number of flights, and we are ready for work in the conditions of higher flight intensity, while providing safe air traffic control services,” says Džvids Tauriņš, Chairman of the Board of LGS.

Laila Odiņa, Chairperson of the Board of Riga International Airport: “Flight safety and security is the top priority at Riga Airport, an important criterion for our decisions, processes and actions. With the introduction of the A-CDM system and now also official certification, we are also fulfilling other tasks set in the company's strategy to upgrade, simplify and efficiently organize work processes thus reducing the consumption of various resources. We are proud that we were the first to do this work in the Baltic region.” The project is co-financed by the Connecting Europe Facility (CEF).



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