



PRESS RELEASE

SkyEurope – the *low cost, low fare* airline leader in Central and Eastern Europe, will inaugurate three new, direct, twice-weekly flights from Naples to Prague, Budapest and Krakow.

The Naples airport will provide service to Central and Eastern Europe through a veritable network of direct, international routes.

Today, **Christian Mandl** *CEO of SkyEurope Airlines* – in the presence of *the Regional Transport Councilman, Ennio Cascetta, the Regional Tourism Councilman, Marco Di Lello and Vittorio Mazza, Business Administration Director of Gesac Spa*, the Naples airport management company, officially presented the three new, twice-weekly flights for **Prague, Budapest and Krakow** which will begin operations during the month of April.

SkyEurope Airlines –Central and Eastern Europe's largest *low cost, low fare* airlines has **selected Naples as the only airport in Southern Italy, to date, from which the three new destinations will be served.**

The Central European airline operates from the five hubs of Bratislava-Vienna, Budapest, Krakow, Warsaw and, most recently Prague - **and began operations in Italy in September of 2002** with direct flights from Milan (Bergamo) to Bratislava – Vienna. Today, the airline is present in Italy at the airports of Milan (Bergamo Orio), Rome, Bologna, Turin, Venice and Naples.

Starting this spring, Prague, Central Europe's most romantic holiday site, Budapest, the capital of Hungary historically the crossroads between East and West, and Krakow with its patrimony of majestic cathedrals and churches can count on service operated by SkyEurope to stimulate potential traffic between Naples and these three destinations.

Service to **Prague will be inaugurated 13 April**, while service for **Budapest will begin 14 April**. Lastly, the **Naples-Krakow route is scheduled to begin operations 8 June**. Service to all three destinations will be operated twice a week* (*see attached time table with days of operation*). **Fares, airport taxes excluded) for all three destinations start as low as 14 euro one way.**

For Prague and Krakow, a new, 149-seat Next Generation Boeing 737-700, which joined the fleet in March, **will be used** while the **Naples-Budapest route** will be operated with a **149-seat Boeing 737-300**.

"The three new twice-weekly, direct flights and the new route for Bratislava will pave the way for the Naples airport to the important, strategic market of Central and Eastern Europe which, as of this year will be served by the Naples airport through a veritable network of international direct flights: the new SkyEurope flights, the new flight for Moscow, the already existing flights for Timisoara and Bucharest are part of a veritable network of direct flights from Naples for Central and Eastern Europe" declared Vittorio Mazza – **Gesac Spa Business Administration Director**.

The three, new, twice-weekly direct flights will pave the way to an important, strategic market such as Central and Eastern Europe for the Naples airport. Additionally, they also

the new flight for Moscow (as of 29 April) and Timisoara (inaugurated in 2005) operated by other airlines which **will comprise a veritable network of direct flights from Naples for Central and Eastern Europe and providing service to a traffic catchment area of nearly 80,000 passengers** for the 2006 spring-summer season.

Statement by **Chris Mandl** - CEO SkyEurope Airlines:

“Naples is the most recent destination to join the SkyEurope network and we are the only airline to provide direct service between Naples and Central Europe. We will promote Naples in the Central European market as the main tourist attraction in Southern Europe. Therefore, this flight will not only significantly increase the number of tourists visiting the Neapolitan capital but will also represent a fundamental port of access for Central Europe”.

Declaration by **Vittorio Mazza** – Gesac Spa Business Administration Director: *“SkyEurope has selected Naples to inaugurate three, direct flights in confirmation of the interest shown during the past years by airlines to invest in our airport. For us, this signifies an extremely important recognition of the work carried out by the airport management company to enhance growth and development of the airport. The new flights for Prague, Budapest and Krakow, together with the new service to Moscow, Bucharest and Timisoara, represent a veritable network towards the strategic catchment area of Central-Eastern Europe”.*

Declaration made by **Marco Di Lello** –Tourism Councilman for the Campania Region: *“The three new flights from Prague, Budapest and Krakow for Naples and the Campania area represent an important initiative which serves to confirm the work carried out by local institutions in expanding the network of routes toward the most important southern Italian regions. These flights, in addition to the other three flights which this legislature has helped to program: Munich (in operations since 15 December), Moscow, since 29 April and Naples-New York as of 11 May: are initiatives in which we strongly believe and towards which we have actively contributed”.*

Declaration made by **Ennio Cascetta** – Campania Region Transport Councilman:

“With the start-up of these three, new direct flights, the Capidichino airport has confirmed its role as one of the main national airports, increasingly integrated within the network of the major European and International routes and in keeping with the role which it must hold within the context of the Campania airport system, which includes the airports of Grazzanise, Pontecagnano in addition to the Capua airfield. I therefore would like to thank Gesac, the representative of the European countries involved who are present today and, above all, the airline, which for the first time has begun to operate in Naples and in the south”.

Naples, 3 March 2006



***FLIGHT TIMETABLE AND DAYS OF OPERATION**

Naples-Prague as of 13 April, 2 flights per week (Thursday, Sunday):

>Naples - Prague

14:55 - 17:05 (Thursday)

10:50 - 13:00 (Sunday)

<Prague - Naples

12:15 - 14:15 (Thursday)

08:10 - 10:10 (Sunday)

Naples-Budapest as of 14 April, 2 flights per week (Monday, Friday):

>Naples - Budapest

09:45 - 11:30 (Friday)

20:20 - 22:05 (Monday)

<Budapest - Naples

07:10 - 09:05 (Friday)

17:45 - 19:40 (Monday)

Naples-Krakow as of 8 June, 2 flights per week (Thursday, Sunday):

>Naples - Krakow

09:20 - 11:20 (Thursday, Sunday)

Krakow - Naples

06:30 - 08:40 (Thursday, Sunday)