# Uzbekistan Airways and China Southern Airlines Sign Memorandum of Understanding: A New Chapter in Developing the Air Silk Road

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As part of expanding international cooperation, Uzbekistan’s national carrier, Uzbekistan Airways, and one of China’s largest airlines, China Southern Airlines, have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU).

The two parties agreed on a strategic expansion of cooperation in several key areas, including interline and codeshare agreements, cargo transportation, partnerships in ancillary services, and enhancing passenger experience. This agreement opens new opportunities for network integration and strengthens transport accessibility between the two countries.




The MoU lays the groundwork for deeper and more diversified collaboration between the two carriers. Uzbekistan Airways sees this agreement as an important step in its strategy to strengthen its presence in Asia and expand travel and cargo opportunities for both Uzbek and Chinese customers.




**Chairman of the Board of Uzbekistan Airways, Shukhrat Khudaykulov, noted:**

*“China is a key strategic market for Uzbekistan Airways. Cooperation with China Southern Airlines will allow us to expand our flight geography, enhance passenger comfort, and give new momentum to aviation ties between Uzbekistan and China. We believe this partnership will become a strong foundation for building the Air Silk Road of the future.”*




**O‘z navbatida, China Southern aviakompaniyasi prezidenti va bosh direktori Xan Venshen quyidagilarni ta’kidladi:**

*“Markaziy Osiyo bozoriga chiqish “China Southern” uchun muhim strategik yo‘nalishdir. Uzbekistan Airways bilan hamkorlik bizga ikkala kompaniyaning kuchli tomonlaridan to‘liq foydalanish, yo‘lovchilarga sifatli mahsulotlarning kengroq tanlovini taklif qilish va “Havo ipak yo‘li”ni mamlakatlarimiz o‘rtasidagi iqtisodiy va madaniy almashinuvning asosiy bo‘g‘iniga aylantirish imkonini beradi.”*




The agreement reflects Uzbekistan Airways’ ongoing commitment to international partnership and enhanced connectivity with one of the world’s most dynamic regions. Cooperation with China Southern will offer passengers more options for reaching major economic and cultural hubs across China, with greater flexibility, smoother connections, and elevated service. Uzbekistan Airways will continue implementing its strategy to strengthen its position in the Asia-Pacific region, making Uzbekistan even more accessible for international tourism and business.




**About Uzbekistan Airways**

Uzbekistan Airways is the national carrier of the Republic of Uzbekistan and a leading airline in Central Asia. The airline operates regular flights to more than 95 destinations, connecting Uzbekistan with major cities across Europe, Asia, the Middle East, and North America. Uzbekistan Airways is the only airline in the CIS operating modern long-haul Boeing 787 Dreamliners, enabling non-stop transcontinental flights. With a strong focus on service quality and network development, the airline is committed to providing maximum comfort, safety, and convenience to its

passengers.

## About China Southern Airlines

China Southern is committed to developing service brand combining “affinity and refinement” to deliver an exceptional and seamless travel experience to all passengers. In Year 2022, China Southern was honored as "China’s Best Airline" (SKYTRAX 2022) and "Five-Star Diamond Airline" (World Brand Lab 2023). It operates the most extensive Central Asia network topping all Chinese carriers: 7 destinations across all 5 Central Asian countries (Almaty, Astana, Tashkent, Samarkand, Dushanbe, Ashgabat, Bishkek). This decisive leadership position among all Chinese carriers in terms of the number of flights, flight frequencies and market share, makes China Southern a major force in building air connectivity between China and countries and regions along the “Belt and Road”.