RYANAIR TO BOOST FLIGHTS ON 20 EUROPEAN ROUTES

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European budget carrier Ryanair announced plans to boost the number of planes operating on 20 routes.

Launching its London summer 2016 schedule, the airline said it would add an additional four new routes to the network, taking the total to more than 150 routes.

Earlier it said the rolling annual traffic numbers to August were up 15 percent.

The August load factor was 95 percent, up from 93 percent previously. Total August passenger numbers climbed by 10 percent year-on-year to 10.4 million people.

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The Dublin-based company said it would also open a new operations base at Milan Malpensa Airport on Dec. 1, with the initial investment costing US$100 million.

Ryanair Chief Marketing Officer Kenny Jacobs earlier said that capacity and lower fuel prices were driving down ticket prices.

In an interview with Bloomberg TV, Mr Jacobs said feeding passengers to long-haul airlines was a "natural development" for the carrier.

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