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## Ethiopian Wins 'African Cargo Airline of the Year' and 'Air Cargo Brand of the Year in Africa' Awards

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Ethiopian Cargo & Logistics Services, Africa's largest cargo operator, has been crowned with 'African Cargo Airline of the Year' and 'Air Cargo Brand of the Year in Africa' Awards for the fourth year in a row at the STAT Times International Awards for Excellence in Air Cargo held from February 19 to 21 in Johannesburg.

The STAT Trade Times is an integrated transport and tourism news source also catering to the needs of Aviation and Air Cargo Industries worldwide.



*Ethiopian Group CEO and MD Ethiopian Cargo & Logistics Services receiving the awards*

Regarding the awards, Group Chief Executive Officer of Ethiopian Airlines, Mr. Tewolde GebreMariam, remarked, "We are honored to have received the 'African Cargo Airline of the Year' and 'Air Cargo Brand of the Year in Africa' awards which are testimony to the leading role Ethiopian is playing in air cargo service in Africa.

*In line with Vision 2025, we have been investing heavily in expanding our cargo services, building the largest trans-shipment terminal in Africa with an annual capacity of about 1 million tons and*

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*deploying 9 dedicated freighters. Our cargo services today span across 44 international destinations in Africa, the Gulf, Middle East, Asia, the Americas and Europe, augmenting the export of perishables from Africa and import of high value goods. I'd like to extend my gratitude to Air Cargo Africa for recognizing our efforts with these awards, and I'd like to congratulate my 16,000 plus colleagues at Ethiopian Airlines on the success they achieved through their dedication and hard work."*

By 2025, Ethiopian Cargo & Logistics Services envisions becoming a full-fledged profit center of Ethiopian Airlines Group with annual revenue of US\$ 2 Billion, 19 dedicated aircraft, annual tonnage of 820,000, and 57 international destinations.

## About Ethiopian

Ethiopian Airlines (Ethiopian) is the fastest growing Airline in Africa. In its seventy plus years of operation, Ethiopian has become one of the continent's leading carriers, unrivalled in efficiency and operational success.

Ethiopian commands the lion's share of the Pan-African passenger and cargo network operating the youngest and most modern fleet to more than 119 international passenger and cargo destinations across five continents. Ethiopian fleet includes ultra-modern and environmentally friendly aircraft such as Airbus A350, Boeing 787-8, Boeing 787-9, Boeing 777-300ER, Boeing 777-200LR, Boeing 777-200 Freighter, Bombardier Q-400 double cabin with an average fleet age of five years. In fact, Ethiopian is the first airline in Africa to own and operate these aircraft. Ethiopian is currently implementing a 15-year strategic plan called Vision 2025 that will see it become the leading aviation group in Africa with Six business centers: Ethiopian International Services; Ethiopian Cargo & Logistics Services; Ethiopian MRO Services; Ethiopian Aviation Academy; Ethiopian ADD Hub Ground Services and Ethiopian Airports Services. Ethiopian is a multi-award winning airline registering an average growth of 25% in the past seven years.

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