



## **EVA Air named one of the world's top three safest airlines**

***AERO International Magazine's analysis shows EVA Air as one of the safest flight services***



**20<sup>th</sup> January 2014** – Taiwan's leading independent airline, [EVA Air](#), has ranked third among the world's safest airlines by *AERO International Magazine's* annual Global Airline Safety Index. This marks the tenth successive year that EVA Air has made the top grade and the 2014 analysis saw the airline climb from fifth place to achieve its highest score to date.

Germany's well-respected *AERO International Magazine* specialises in civil aviation and provides safety rankings for airlines across the globe. The publication's 2014 assessments were announced in its February 2015 edition, published on 16<sup>th</sup> January.

EVA Air has long been revered for its safety programmes, consistently superb safety record and high standards. The award-winning Taiwanese carrier has maintained an immaculate safety record without any flight losses or fatalities since it was established. With its consistent record and high standards, EVA Air has solid standing among leading international airlines and ranks just behind Cathay Pacific Airways and Emirates on the *AERO International* list.

"Our ranking significantly shows the high level of safety air traffic has now reached around the globe. It is good to see that airlines do not content themselves with what they have already achieved but work hard and continuously to make their operational services still safer," said *AERO International* Editor-in-Chief Dietmar Plath.

This latest ranking follows EVA Air being recognised among the world's top 10 safest airlines by website *AirlineRatings.com*. With performance, EVA has also demonstrated zero-defects in IATA's

Operational Safety Audits (IOSA) that have taken place every two years since 2005.

“We established EVA in 1989 and observed our 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2014. Our third-place ranking is only a small fraction below assessments for the older, larger carriers that ranked first and second. This is exhilarating for us and makes our anniversary milestone even more meaningful,” said EVA Chairman K. W. Chang.

He added, “We work hard to achieve operations with no flight losses or fatalities. Safety is the most important part of every flight. Our quality service would not be possible without full attention to every aspect of operations. Recognition by this respected publication not only demonstrates EVA’s outstanding performance but also highlights the cutting-edge competitiveness of Taiwan’s aviation industry.”

Published monthly, *AERO International* provides safety rankings based on analysis from Germany’s Jet Airliner Crash Data Evaluation Centre (JACDEC). Established in 1989, the JACDEC today monitors more than 1,000 flight operators and serves as a reliable source for aviation safety information. JACDEC determines annual overall rankings by comparing an index value of each airline’s accumulated operations with those of other carriers and considers factors such as fleet age, serious flight accidents within the last 10 years and flight losses within the past 30 years. JACDEC’s criteria include:

- Fatalities,
- Hull-loss accidents,
- Serious incidents,
- Accident-free years,
- Transparency of country of origin,
- IOSA membership,
- Years of operations,
- Cumulative passenger data for past 30 years and
- Annual revenue passengers (RPK).

The complete JACDEC list is available at <http://www.jacdec.de/airline-safety-ranking-2015/>.

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#### **About EVA Air**

EVA Airways was formed in 1989 as Taiwan's first privately owned international airline. It launched passenger services in 1991 and cargo services in 1995. It is a division of the respected Evergreen Group and sister company to global container-shipping leader Evergreen Line. Its mission from the

start has been to always provide the best and safest services. It serves a network of more than 60 business, leisure and airfreight destinations in Asia, Oceania, Europe and North America. By joining Star Alliance (June 18, 2013), EVA has extended its network to more than 1,300 destinations in more than 190 countries. EVA's routing within Asia is among the industry's best and, with just one easy stop in Taipei, travellers can connect onward to most major cities, including gateways in every region of China. For more information and schedules, please visit: [www.evaair.com](http://www.evaair.com).

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