

From the desk of Dr. André Schulz (UPDATE)

Dear Esteemed Business Partner,

In the recent hours, **South Africa and Namibia** have been classified as **Areas of Variant of Concern** by the German [Robert Koch Institute](#). With this re-classification, a new set of regulations for travelers entering Germany comes into effect as of **28 November 2021** and all travelers from South Africa and Namibia to Germany need to observe the following mandatory travel regulations issued by the German authorities:



- *Only German nationals, their immediate family members and holders of German resident permits are allowed to enter Germany.*
- ***As of 30 November 2021 (departure time in South Africa / Namibia): all travelers (all nationalities) must provide a negative PCR Test result (digital or printed), taken within 72 hours before entry into Germany. This includes travelers who additionally hold a vaccination or immunity certificate. AntiGen tests will no longer be accepted.***
- *Travelers must complete the [Digital Registration on Entry form](#) online before their departure.*
- *Travelers are required to enter a general 14-day quarantine upon entry into Germany.*
- *For other nationalities: In principle, transiting Germany to a destination outside of Germany is possible, however the entry regulations of the country of final destinations must be observed.*

Further detailed information about the entry regulations can be found [here](#). Additionally, you can find current flight information through our [Lufthansa.com website](#). Based on the above mentioned regulations implemented by the Federal Republic of Germany, I would like to reassure you that our German carriers, **Lufthansa** operating to South Africa, and **Eurowings Discover** operating to Namibia, **will continue maintaining flights to/from both these markets and thus keeping the important lifeline between these countries.**

In line with the recent decision by the Swiss federal authorities, **SWISS and Edelweiss** will only transport passengers on its flights from South Africa to Switzerland who are **Swiss or Liechtenstein nationals** (or hold a corresponding Swiss or Liechtenstein residence permit) and who will be able to present a valid negative COVID test result on arrival in Switzerland. **SWISS and Edelweiss flights scheduled over the next few days will operate as planned until further notice.**

The Lufthansa Group will continue providing our business partners and customers with updated information relating to the travel regulations to Germany and Switzerland.

Yours in Travel,

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