



Attention: The Editor

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**FlyNamibia celebrates inaugural flight between Eros Airport Windhoek and Walvis Bay**

On Tuesday 18 October, FlyNamibia hosted a group of industry members and aviation officials on its inaugural flight from Eros Airport in Windhoek to Walvis Bay. The addition of this route to FlyNamibia's scheduled operations is set to start as of 28 October and ticket sales are now officially open to the general public. The inaugural event held at Walvis Bay International Airport was attended by His Worship Trevino Forbes (Mayor of Walvis Bay), Her Worship Dina Namubes (Mayor of Swakopmund), His Worship Lewies Vermaak (Mayor of Henties Bay), Mr Bisey /Uirab (CEO of Namibia Airports Company), Ambassador Paul Ndjambula (President of the Swakopmund Business Chamber), Mr Andre Compion (MD of FlyNamibia) and Hon. Benitha Imbamba (Chairperson of the Erongo Regional Council) who gave the keynote address.

Walvis Bay is the first new addition to FlyNamibia's scheduled operations since the announcement of its new partnership with Airlink in September 2022. This partnership is aimed at giving the flying public more options, more access and broader horizons to discover and explore, and is set to further increase FlyNamibia's operational capacity.

"This heralds a new phase where we are connecting the hearts of business in our country - Khomas and Erongo," said the CEO of the Namibia Airports Company, Mr Bisey /Uirab. He emphasised the importance of air connectivity for productivity, efficiency and economic growth within the country. Sharing his wish for Namibia to become a flying nation, ending his remarks on a powerful note: "May our collective vision and mission to serve this nation be our driving force."

Also speaking at the event, His Worship Trevino Forbes, Mayor of Walvis Bay, noted that: "I am delighted to welcome all of you here today on this occasion of the inaugural flight of FlyNamibia to Walvis Bay. It is an opportunity to recognise and commend the effort of FlyNamibia to renew this route. In the past, this

route has served as a key enabler for economic and tourism growth and development. FlyNamibia, with this new direct flight to Walvis Bay and its combined regional network and schedule, will unlock efficiencies for Namibia's business, trade, travel, and tourism sectors."

The route between Eros Airport Windhoek and Walvis Bay will be serviced three days a week - Monday, Wednesday and Friday. A 14-seater Beechcraft 1900 will be used to operate the flights.

FlyNamibia, under its previous brand FlyWestair, was the first private airline to be granted scheduled passenger airline status in Namibia. They have been operational since June 2019 and have expanded their network of flights to include domestic routes from Eros Airport in Windhoek to Ondangwa, Rundu, Katima Mulilo, Oranjemund and now Walvis Bay, as well as a regional route from Hosea Kutako International to Cape Town International.

From the launch of FlyNamibia, the proudly-Namibian airline has promised its clients and the flying public that they aim to connect them to the very best of Namibia, and beyond. With an ethos based on the concept of *Ubuntu*, which is celebrated across the African continent, FlyNamibia aims to be a beacon that connects Namibia as a community with the rest of the world, and helps bring the world to Namibia so that we can showcase how unique and truly special the country is as a destination.

Flights can be booked through all major travel agencies, or directly via FlyNamibia's 24/7 contact centre at +264 83 339 0011. Customers can also visit [www.flynamibia.com.na](http://www.flynamibia.com.na) for online bookings.

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