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## CO2-free en route: Lufthansa Cargo and DB Schenker show joint commitment on an aircraft

**Lettering of a Boeing 777F draws attention to CO2 avoidance through Sustainable Aviation Fuel**

Essen/Frankfurt, May 20, 2021 – On Wednesday, the Lufthansa Cargo freighter with the registration D-ALFG took off for the first time with a very special design: The lettering "Flying 100% CO2 neutral powered by DB Schenker" and an illustration of Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) highlight the joint mission of Lufthansa Cargo and DB Schenker. Both companies have been working together on climate protection for ten years and have now been able to launch a concrete offer on the market. With the use of SAF,

which is based on extensive research, the cargo airline and the logistics service provider are accelerating the move away from fossil fuels in order to make the entire air freight industry more climate-friendly. Since April, they have been offering weekly, CO<sub>2</sub>-neutral cargo rotations between Frankfurt and Shanghai. The aircraft's special livery draws attention to the issue of SAF and invites customers to transport their freight in a CO<sub>2</sub>-neutral manner. For Deutsche Bahn and DB Schenker, this is only the third time that the company logo has appeared on an aircraft.

"We are delighted to have DB Schenker at our side, a partner who is so energetically promoting the reduction of CO<sub>2</sub> in the air freight industry. The special livery gives us the opportunity to draw attention to our joint commitment worldwide. It also shows that we take our support of the United Nations' 'Climate Action' Goal very seriously. The increased use of Sustainable Aviation Fuel and a modern freighter fleet are measures with a great impact to sustainably reduce our CO<sub>2</sub> emissions," explains Ashwin Bhat, Lufthansa Cargo Chief Commercial Officer.

Thorsten Meincke, Global Board Member for Air & Ocean Freight at DB Schenker: "Sustainability is not just a nice-to-have. It is our declared goal to transport more goods in an environmentally friendly way. In doing so, we roll up our sleeves where it is particularly important to be active – in air transport! Together with Lufthansa Cargo, we offer a regular carbon neutral cargo flight connection. We are now celebrating this milestone on an aircraft for everyone to see. We are proud that we have already been able to inspire many customers with our green offer. With this special jet, we are driving awareness for our sustainability partnership around the world."

Following the first CO<sub>2</sub>-neutral freighter rotation by Lufthansa Cargo and DB Schenker from Frankfurt to Shanghai in November 2020, the companies offer a 100 per cent greenhouse gas-neutral freight connection between Europe and Asia throughout the entire Lufthansa Cargo summer flight schedule. The fuel requirement on the Frankfurt-Shanghai route and back will be covered entirely by SAF. This will save around 174 tonnes of conventional kerosene every week. Sustainable Aviation Fuel is produced primarily from biomass waste, for example from used vegetable and cooking oils. During combustion in the engine, therefore, only CO<sub>2</sub> is released which was previously removed from the atmosphere during the growth of the plants. The greenhouse gases produced during the production and transport of the fuel are also fully compensated for with certified offset projects. This ensures the complete greenhouse gas neutrality of the flights.

## About DB Schenker

With around 76,900 employees at more than 2,100 locations in over 130 countries, DB Schenker is one of the world's leading logistics providers. The company operates land, air, and ocean transportation services, and it also offers comprehensive solutions for logistics and global supply chain management from a single source.

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## Lufthansa Cargo AG

With a turnover of 2.8 billion euros and 6.5 billion revenue tonne-kilometres in 2020, Lufthansa Cargo is one of the world's leading companies in the transport of air freight. The company currently employs about 4,400 people worldwide. Lufthansa Cargo focuses on the airport-to-airport business. The cargo carrier serves around 300 destinations in more than 100 countries with its own fleet of freighters, the belly capacities of passenger aircraft operated by Lufthansa German Airlines, Austrian Airlines, Brussels Airlines, Eurowings and SunExpress, and an extensive road feeder service network. The bulk of the cargo business is routed through Frankfurt Airport. Lufthansa Cargo aligns its corporate responsibility commitment with the sustainability goals of the United Nations (UN). Lufthansa Cargo has committed itself to anchoring five selected sustainability goals in its corporate activities and to making a substantial contribution to achieving these goals by 2030. Lufthansa Cargo is a wholly owned Lufthansa subsidiary of Deutsche Lufthansa AG and Lufthansa Group's logistics specialist.

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