

Winter Cruising Forum

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The importance of airlift in the development of cruise tourism, air connections, transfers and immigration issues.

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Airlift

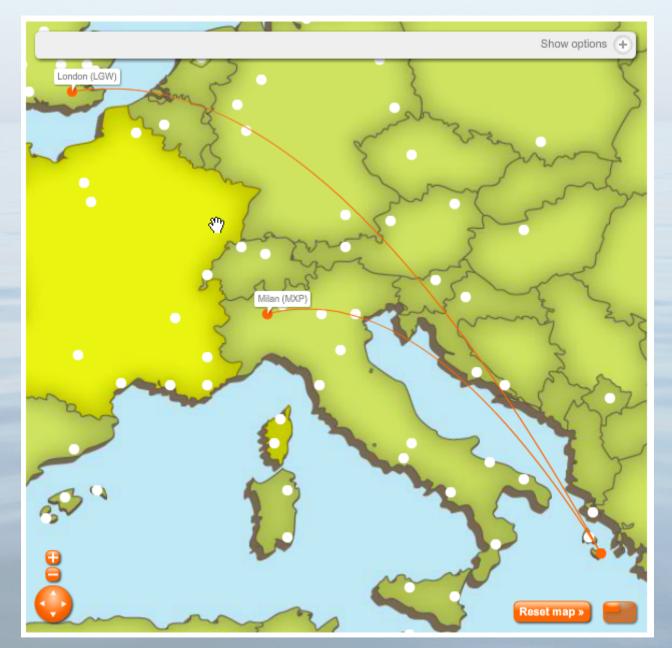
- Without it we cannot operate.
 - Guests
 - Crew/Service engineers
 - Spare parts
 - Stores
- Regular (daily) flights.
- A range of carriers.
 - Competitiveness
 - Protection against failed carriers

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Connections

- Best avoided
- Adds to overall journey times
- Increased risk of lost baggage
- Increased stress to guests
 - Lack of signage
 - Language difficulties

Transfers

- Close isn't always best
 - A little distance can help
- Communication
 - How long is journey?
 - What will we pass?
 - What happens to my bags?
 - What happens at the vessel check-in?

Immigration

- Onboard clearance
- Face to Face inspections
- Clearance by manifest
- Arrival or Departure taxes







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