

Luxembourg, 31 March 2022

31 March 1962, a date that will remain engraved in the history of the Grand Duchy

On 31 March 1962 Luxair took off for the first time and carried its very first passengers on board to Paris.

1961, the year of the effective birth of Luxair, as we know it today, followed in 1962, by the operation of the first flight of the national airline of the Grand Duchy, coincided with the inauguration of the Luxembourg - Paris line served by Fokker F27, following the reorganization of "Luxembourg Airlines Company", incorporated in 1948. On 31 March 1962, the inaugural flight of the Luxembourgish airline linked Luxembourg to Paris Le Bourget airport. That same year, in addition to Paris, Luxair added two more destinations to its network, Amsterdam and Frankfurt, and enabled around 9,000 passengers to fly from Luxembourg.

Today, Luxair celebrates the 60th anniversary of this first flight and since then, the company has constantly developed and in 2022, Luxair is proud to increase the number of destinations served, for the first time in its history, to 88, 3 more than in 2021 and 21 more than in 2019. To meet the requirements of increasingly strong demand, Luxair, which operated its first flights in Fokker F27, now counts in its fleet four Boeing 737- 800, four Boeing 737-700, eleven De Havilland Q400 and 1 Embraer 190, which will complete its fleet from mid-May under wet lease, to meet the strong demand expected in the coming months.

To commemorate this emblematic date for Luxair, a whole series of special actions will be unveiled in the coming months. The first of which was launched a little over a month ago, when the national airline invited all artists from Luxembourg and the Greater Region to sketch their vision of the future of the airline through its next special livery. This contest ended on 28 March and the winner, the one who will see his art transport Luxair and LuxairTours passengers, across Europe and much further afield, will be announced shortly.

Diversity, inclusion and audacity... these are the values that Luxair promises to continue to convey in Europe and beyond its borders, while looking and projecting itself towards the future.

Luxair publishes today a video of its first flight. Historical images taken straight from the archives of the Center National de l'Audiovisuel, revisited with the help and modern music of Napoléon Gold, a rising figure in the Grand Duchy's electro scene, as the airline is used to doing, that we invite you to discover and share by clicking [here](#).