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TFWA WELCOMES TRAFFIC GROWTH AS TFWA ASIA PACIFIC & GATE ONE2ONE NEARS

TFWA welcomes the recent news from statisticians charting the performance of the global aviation sector. This indicates a surge in traffic worldwide, particularly in the Asia Pacific region, and a return to growth.

The news makes attendance at TFWA Asia Pacific & Gate ONE2ONE 2010, the regional duty free and travel retail trade show in Singapore this May, imperative for those wishing to profit from the duty free and travel retail opportunities that growth in air travel brings in its wake. Online pre-registration opens today, Tuesday 2nd March, at www.tfw.com.

In December 2009 Airports Council International (ACI) reported that global airport passenger traffic rose by 5.3 percent relative to December 2008. A very strong performance across Asia Pacific where international traffic grew by 15.7% and domestic by +14% contributed to the encouraging results.

Looking ahead, the ACI/ DKMA Traffic Forecast Advisory Services (TFAS) prediction for the first quarter of 2010 was for traffic growth of 4.6% overall with the highest growth in Asia Pacific (9.5%).

In February OAG Aviation reported that the world's airlines had increased capacity for the sixth consecutive month, with a 5% year-on-year increase in seat capacity and a 4% increase in frequencies.

Within Asia the frequency of scheduled services increased +11% and capacity +10% with routes to and from Asia showing +5% and +4% respectively, according to OAG Aviation.

These excellent results add weight to the argument that TFWA Asia Pacific & Gate ONE2ONE from Sunday 9th to Thursday 13th May in Singapore Suntec should be a red-letter date in the diary of suppliers and buyers in the duty free and travel retail industry.

TFWA Asia Pacific & Gate ONE2ONE opens with a full-day conference and workshops programme on Monday 10th May and the exhibition swings into action from 0900 on Tuesday 11th to 1700 on Thursday 13th May.

Networking opportunities abound with the ONE2ONE pre-arranged meeting service, an on-site after-hours bar and popular, well-organised social and sporting events.

For further information please consult: www.tfw.com.

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