# WIZZ AIR HOLDINGS PLC

**CAPITAL MARKETS DAY** 

2 October 2024





# Capital markets day agenda



- 01. 09:30-10:30. Strategy update
  József Váradi, Chief Executive Officer
- 10:35-11:15. Focus on Wizz Air fleet
  Owain Jones, Chief Corporate Officer; Julia Brix, Head of Fleet Acquisition
- 11:20-12:00. Network planning and development
  Mike Delehant, Senior Chief Commercial Officer; Piotr Trawka, Network Officer
- 12:05-12:45. Focus on operations and cost management
  Mike Delehant, Senior Chief Commercial Officer; Diarmuid O'Conghaile, Chief Operating Officer
- 13:30-14:10. Managing the revenue lines Silvia Mosquera, Commercial Officer
- 14:15-14:40. ESG leadership Yvonne Moynihan, Corporate and ESG Officer
- 14:45-15:30. Finance and accounting considerations lan Malin, Chief Financial Officer

# **CEO UPDATE**





# József Váradi – Chief Executive Officer update



Wizz 500 remains our strategic objective (by 2032) but with a renewed focus on ULCC principles that will drive improved returns to investors as we advance along this growth path

Superior fleet economics & execution

#### **Mitigating challenges**

Remove the barriers, now that we have identified them

- Establish a steady path of 15-20% p.a. fleet growth
- Manage GTF issues through F27
- Shift from fighting the problem to preventing the problem

Wizz Air agility & Demand from existing core markets

#### Focus on profitability

Allow the true potential of the A321neo to shine

- Resilient operational planning
- Unit cost leadership
- Pricing power through network density and quality

#### Planning for growth

Optimize and defend key markets and capitalize when others stop growing

- Market leadership in core markets
- XLR to complement the core fleet and connect the points the A321neo cannot

# FOCUS ON WIZZ AIR FLEET





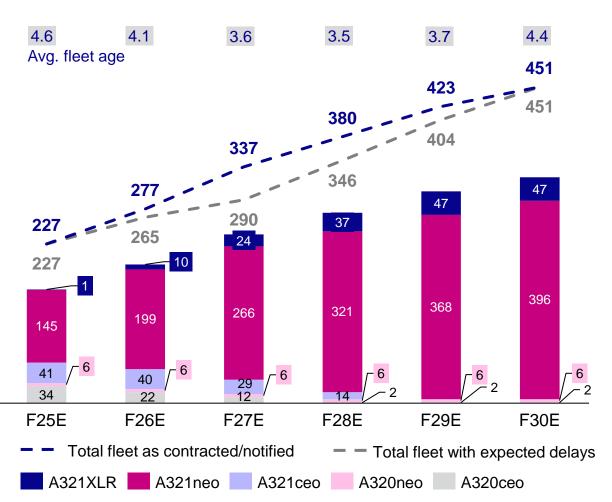
# Update on fleet plan



#### 2 delayed deliveries in F25 23 delays to date in F26

- 224 aircraft as of 25 September 2024
  - 15 A321 NEOs delivered
  - 3 A320 CEOs dry leased (in fleet)
  - 2 A320 CEOs redelivered
- ➤ 4.4 years average fleet age
- ➤ 8 wet leased aircraft supporting operations in S24 but expected exits this October
- Remaining A320 orders up-converted to A321NEO
- ➤ Airbus notified delays for H2 2025 impacting fleet growth in F26 further delay impacts expected by next year, impacting the scheduled fleet program beyond F26
- Grounded aircraft ca. 40-45 for F25 and F26
- ➤ First A321XLR expected to be deployed in spring of next year

# Advised fleet with CY25 visibility W500 now anticipated in F32



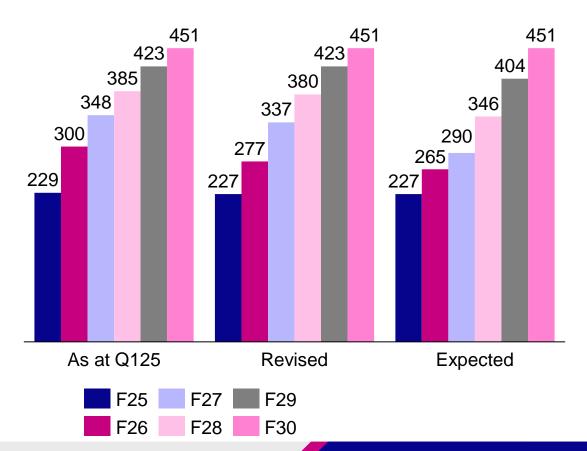


# Fleet development likely to smooth to a 15% CAGR to 2030



Airbus has issued an update on current delays out to Summer 25 (Revised) but this will likely see further deferrals as the timetable is firmed up (Expected)

# Fleet plan could see a further 40-50 planes deferred in 2027

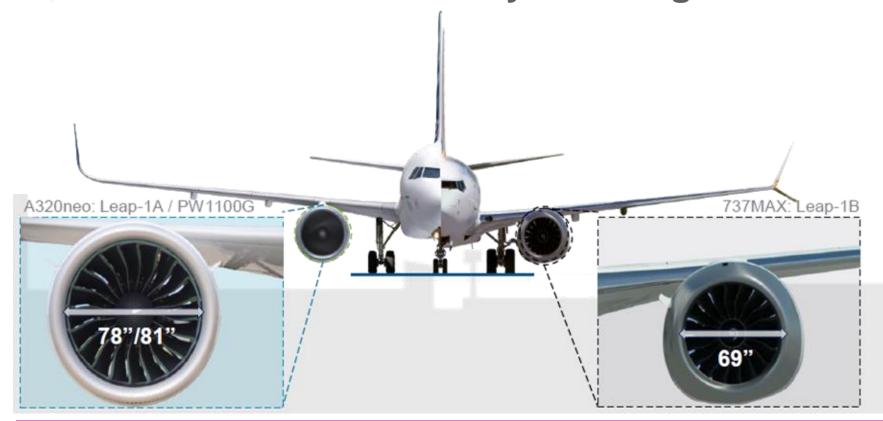


# Expected capacity growth outcome reflects expected cumulative delays over the next two years

	F26	F27	F28	F29	F30
As at Q1 F25	34%	17%	12%	10%	7%
Revised	25%	23%	14%	12%	7%
Expected	19%	11%	21%	17%	12%

# The Airbus A320neo family is the right choice for Wizz Air







- Larger engines with higher by-pass ratio = lower fuel consumption
- Larger cabin density with up to 239 seats (MAX10 up to 230)
- More choices of selection for parts and maintenance
- Scale effects in operations due to large commonality across platforms
- A321NEO is certified



#### Original Airbus order book

- > 2015 110 A320neo
- > 2017 146 A321neo
- > 2019 20 A321XLR
- > 2021 102 (75 A321neo + 27 A321XLR)
- > 2023 75 A321neo (option conversion

# XLR offers a complementary development route

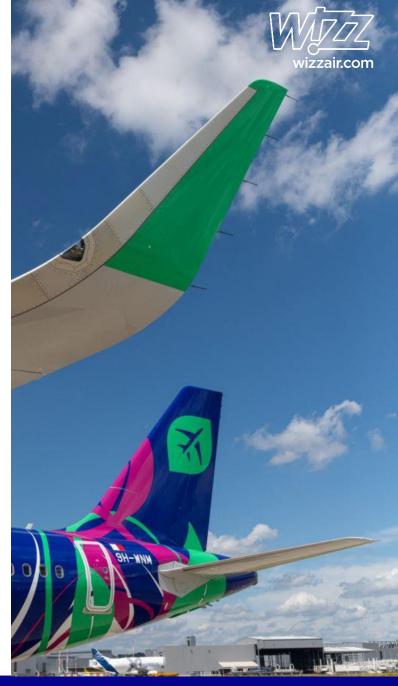


- > 47 aircraft on order and first delivery expected in spring 2025.
- ➤ Potentially representing 10% of Wizz Air fleet in 2030
- ➤ The range of the XLR (3,660 nm on 97t MTOW) enables Wizz Air to connect furthest destinations in the network and to explore new market opportunities beyond A321neo reach from Europe and the Middle East
- > First routes from London and Milan launched to the market in September 2024
- > Certification of aircraft type in progress at Airbus with EASA, expected by end of 2024



# **OEM's production rates a long-term issue**

- ➤ A 17,000 aircraft backlog: Backlog equivalent to over 10 years of production. A321 NEO production lines are sold until 2030
- > Supply chain issues persist: Forgings and engine supply chain disruptions impacting on Aircraft OEMs final assembly rates
- Forging capacity can only supply ~110 aircraft per month: Forging capacity is a long-term supply constraint with lead times of 12+ months
- ➤ OEMs missing engine delivery targets: Tech issues and demand for older engine supplies impacting commitment to supply 50+MAX and 60+NEO engines a month
- Increased regulatory oversight: Quality and control supervision by authorities

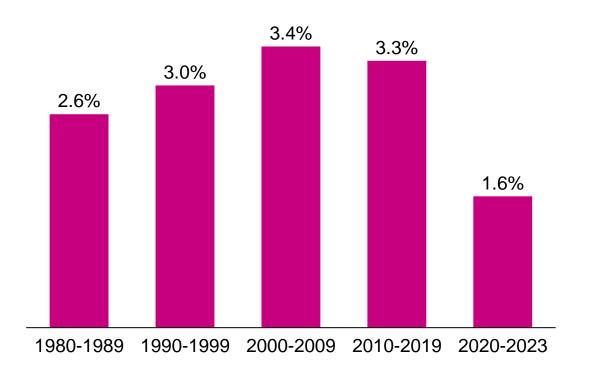


# Wizz's age profile enhances competitiveness (avg 4.4 years)



Ageing fleet necessitates significant retirement volumes amongst competitors

# Historical annual rate of passenger aircraft retirements as % of global fleet



#### Average age of narrow body fleets

Airline	A320 family	B737s	ERJ170
Wizz Air	4.4	-	-
Ryanair	17.3	9.5	-
easyJet	10.2	-	-
IAG	12.6	-	13.0
LHA AG	14.9	11.3	14.3
AF-KLM SA	15.0	14.1	10.7
TAP	10.5	-	-
ITA	9.9	-	-

#### Annual retirements rate rising to a 50-year high

Global fleet	2023 fleet	Retained	Replaced	Growth	2043 fleet
World	26,750	6,195	20,555	23,420	50,170
Europe/Nr Asia	6,595	1,320	5,275	4,510	11,105
Retirement rate per annum					
World			3.8%		
Europe/Nr Asia			4.0%		

Source: Boeing, CAPA

# GTF issue – better understood, better managed



- > 39 aircraft grounded as of 25 September due to GTF inspections
- Improvements managed vs F25 forecast due to quick turn engines
- ➤ Average groundings still expected to be ~40-45 over the next 18 months vs the previous assumption of 50
- ➤ Middle East operation stabilized with introduction of A321 CEOs
- ➤ Forecast is still based on a 300-day engine turnaround time improvements in shop capacity expected from P&W in 2025/2026
- Wizz Air received 14 GTF spare engines in Q1 F25 and is expecting a further 2 in F25. Total spare pool >58 by end F25
- Managing fluctuations in fleet, with compensation not covering period to redeploy & ramp-up aircraft once engines returned
- Negotiations ongoing with regards to engine return targets, compensation rates, structure and additional support measures



# Aircraft financing market remains robust, with Wizz Air deliveries oversubscribed



#### MARKET ENVIRONMENT

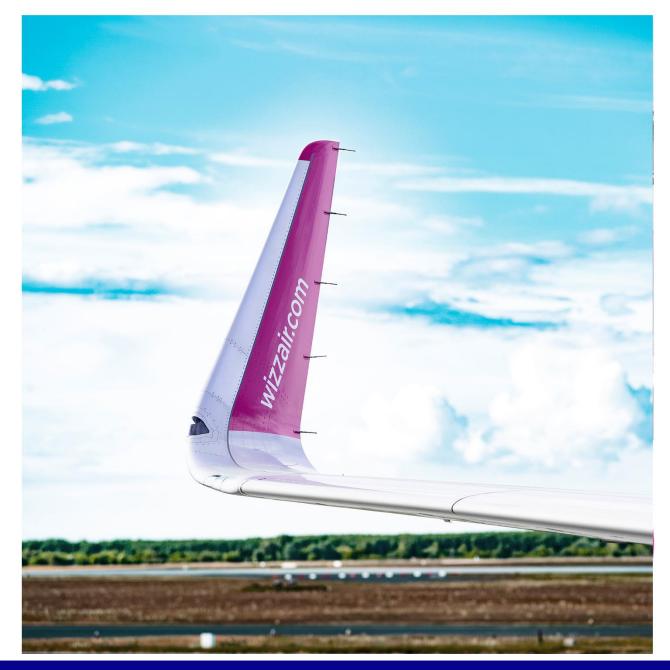
- Market constraints on new aircraft deliveries increase competitive behavior of financing market
- Lessors drive towards investments into new technologies
- ➤ A321 NEO remains a highly attractive aircraft for lessors and banks given strong operator demand
- Wizz specification with maximum seat density and low deviation to Airbus standard creates value for future remarketing purposes

#### **WIZZ AIR**

- Proven ULCC business model delivering unitcost advantages harvesting on economies of scale of a unified fleet and operational efficiency (seat load, utilization, reliability back to pre-COVID level)
- Investment grade credit rated by Fitch (BBB-) provides credibility in finance market
- Continuous delivery stream of 40-50 new aircraft per year provides constant investment opportunities and multiple times oversubscription
- ➤ Highly competitive lease rates secured due to combination of attractive assets and strong value of Wizz Air credibility

# NETWORK PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT





# Macro demand supports fleet growth matching orderbook



Wizz Air exposed to faster growing markets with increasing propensity to travel

	GDP per Capita	GDP CAGR	Air trips per capita	•	s per capita tential	AC Summer 2024	AC Potential 2033
Focused West	2024 US\$	2024 to 2029	2023	2033 8	& 10yr Ch	47	115-130+
UK	51,075	1.6%	2.13	2.70	(+27%)	18	35-50
Italy	39,580	0.6%	1.87	2.30	(+23%)	25	50+
Austria	59,225	1.1%	1.41	2.05	(+45%)	5	30+
			(Note Austria is st	ill 13% belov	w 2019 level)		
Core CEE						121	260-310+
Romania	19,530	3.7%	0.64	1.00	(+56%)	35	50-75
Poland	23,014	3.1%	0.56	1.01	(+80%)	30	50-75
Hungary	23,309	3.1%	0.82	1.63	(+99%)	17	30+
Albania	8,924	3.5%	0.73	1.05	(+44%)	13	30+
Balkans	12,420	3.3%	0.75	1.33	(+77%)	16	50+
Other regions						10	50+
Go East						12	75-110
UAE	53,916	4.4%	3.28	5.82	(+77%)	12	35-50
ource: IMF, Airbus, Company forecasts						4	50 – 550+ air

# Densification and market share gains underpin fleet growth



Market share wins			
	Aug '14	Aug '24	10yr ch
Albania	0%	51%	51%
Georgia	17%	45%	29%
Moldova	0%	27%	27%
Romania	35%	60%	24%
Hungary	34%	50%	16%
Cyprus	4%	18%	14%
Azerbaijan	3%	14%	11%
Serbia	8%	17%	9%
Italy	2%	11%	8%
Poland	21%	28%	7%
Austria	0%	7%	7%
Bulgaria	20%	25%	5%
Macedonia	52%	56%	5%
United Kingdom	2%	5%	3%
Latvia	5%	1%	-4%
Lithuania	21%	12%	-8%
Bosnia and H.	23%	13%	-10%
Ukraine	12%	0%	-12%

<sup>\*</sup> Ukraine recovery not factored into any Wizz projections and represents potential upside

Network route density				
Weekly frequencies	<=2x	3-6x	7-13x	>14x
Aug - 2014	20%	42%	28%	10%
Aug - 2019	21%	41%	28%	10%
Aug - 2023	17%	44%	31%	8%
Aug - 2024	12%	41%	33%	14%
Ch. 2014 to 2019	1%	-1%	-1%	0%
Ch. 2019 to 2024	-9%	0%	6%	4%

#### Market share gains accounting for circa 1/3 of fleet growth

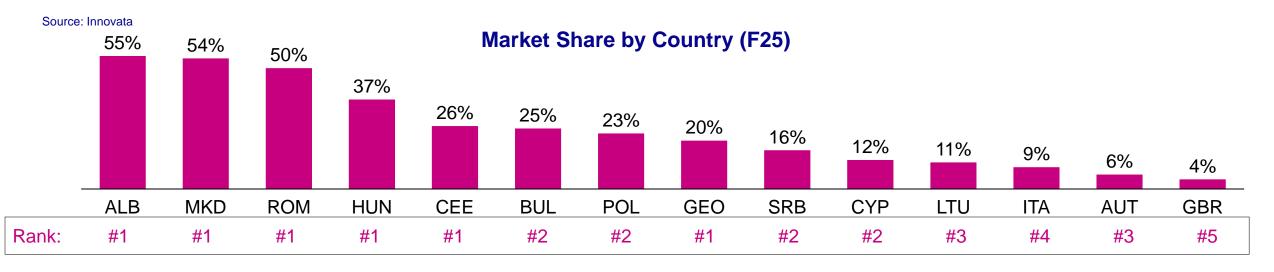
Fleet by drivers	Aircraft	Additions	As % of F25 fleet
F25 (March)	227		
GDP/trips per capita		165	73%
Wizz mkt share wins		110	48%
[Ukraine/CIS]*		20	9%
Implied additions		295	130%
F33 fleet potential	522		

Source: Company estimates

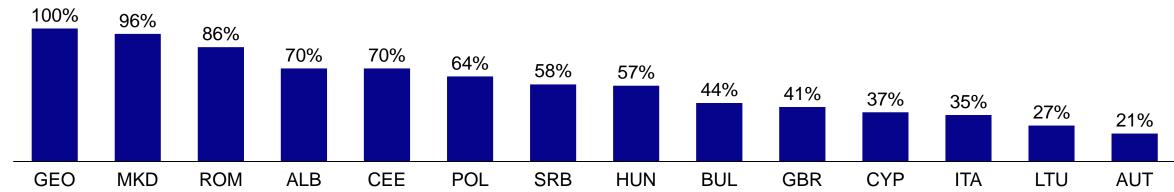
# Market leadership



Wizz Air has a leading position in key CEE markets and is growing share in new markets; the return to growth from 2025 allows it to reinforce these trends



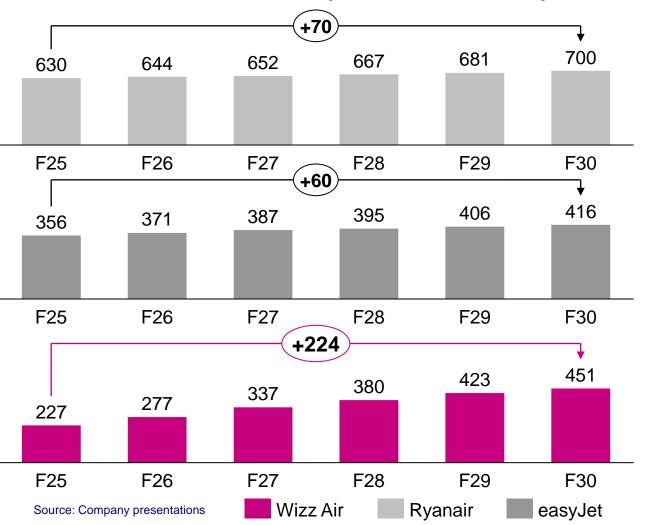




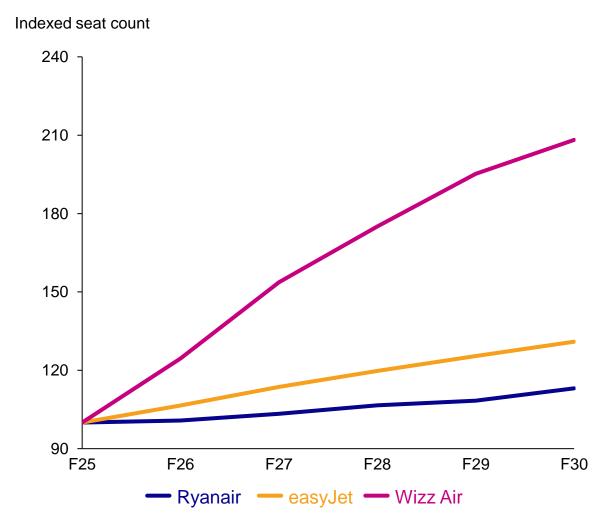
# Growth underpinned by strongest orderbook among peers



Wizz's fleet expected to grow by 224 aircraft from 2025 to 2030 vs. 70 for Ryanair and 60 for easyJet



Wizz Air's index seat count doubles over the period - equivalent to a 16% CAGR



Note: easyJet fiscal year end Sept. Revised Wizz Air fleet numbers used

# Ultra low-cost by design: committed to the ULCC model



#### High aircraft utilization

Year-round utilization target min. 12.5h Reduction of seasonal capacity variation by network design Max. operation in 'golden' window 6-24h

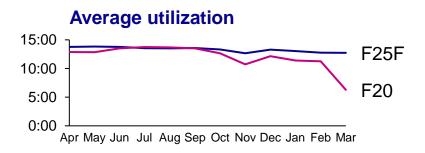
#### Growth & scale of economics

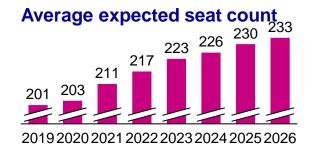
Capacity growth returns from 2025 Allows improved scale of economics Reinforce market shares on key markets

# ULCC Relentless pursuit of efficiency and profitability

#### Growing average seat per aircraft

Continuous fleet upgrade to A321NEO with 239 seats Phasing out A320CEOs





#### Robust design schedule

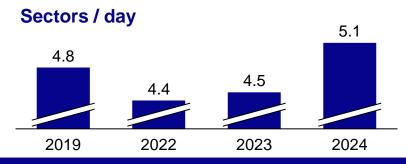
Smart spare capacity design
High crew productivity
Growing sector production per aircraft
High resilience also in peak periods
Stability: minimize intra-season changes

#### **Network density**

Densifying existing network in priority
Growing avg. frequency per route
Elevating share of high-frequency routes
Grow average base size

#### Increased sector production

More sector production per LOF per day Higher capacity and productivity per asset



# XLR expanding geographical footprint





Phase I 2025-2026

Joining the dots

Leveraging the existing brand awareness on those market

Capturing existing VFR + leisure flows

Phase II 2026+

Expanding beyond by complementing existing markets

Stimulating new labor and pilgrimage traffic

XLR to complement NEO program Frequency and utilization maximized

# FOCUS ON OPERATIONS AND COST MANAGEMENT





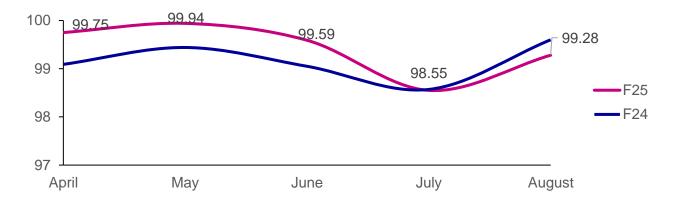
# Summer 2024 operational KPIs (01 Jun – 31 Aug)



KPI	TGT	Group	WAH	WUK	WAZ	WAM
Scheduled Flights		85,515	36,010	6,901	4,403	38,201
Aircraft Utilization	12:30	12:45	12:35	12:58	13:13	12:47
Completion	99.50%	99.13%	99.27%	99.29%	99.77%	98.88%
D15	80%	49.22%	50.50%	52.10%	74.25%	44.57%
TDR (41)	99.50%	99.37%	99.34%	99.70%	98.93%	99.40%

Competitor FY25 YTD Completion rate					
Airlines	Flights	Cancelations	Completion rate %	Difference competitors vs Wizz	
Ryanair	513,338	1,714	99.67%	0.27%	
Wizz Air	136,077	826	99.39%	0.00%	
LOT - Polish Airlines	44,160	339	99.23%	-0.16%	
SAS	97,352	869	99.11%	-0.29%	
Iberia	80,192	727	99.09%	-0.30%	
Vueling	103,563	1,116	98.92%	-0.47%	
KLM	111,547	1,412	98.73%	-0.66%	
Air France	125,239	1,603	98.72%	-0.67%	
Austrian Airlines	57,133	831	98.55%	-0.85%	
easyJet	273,103	4,417	98.38%	-1.01%	
SWISS	65,587	1,191	98.18%	-1.21%	
Eurowings	86,699	1,770	97.96%	-1.43%	
British Airways	133,788	2,876	97.85%	-1.54%	
Lufthansa	189,579	4,411	97.67%	-1.72%	

#### Wizz Air completion rate (%)



#### What went well?

- > The year-on-year improvement in AOG recovery rate and engine management
- > Resilience in Operations Control domain and disruption management
- Crew availability and roster stability

#### What can be improved?

- ➤ Increase robustness of schedule to manage mass disruption scenarios
- Optimize spare aircraft capacity and virtual buffers
- Modernize maintenance setup, including closer control of the maintenance services, providers and outcomes

# Learnings deployed to optimize Summer 2025



# S25 assumptions

What we expect



- Continued unstable ATC environment
- Consolidated growth
- Protect customers & crews from P&W volatility

# **S25** improvements

What we're doing



- > Improved network robustness
- Improved lines of flying
- Smarter buffers / fire-breaks
- > Simplification of schedule
- Focus on core ULCC operating window
- Optimization of spare capacity
- Organizational improvements re maintenance oversight

# F26 targets Where we win



Utilization: 12.5

➤ Completion: 99.5%

> Crew: 850H (94.4%)

> D15: 80%

# Optimizing operations through technology Systematic application to reduce cost and simplify processes

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- Crew planning
- Flight operations
- Cabin operations
- Ground operations
- Safety and compliance
- > Security

- ➤ Using JEPPESEN optimizer
- Integrated EFB solution
- Standardization
- > Customer care, on-time performance
- > IOSA certs, LOSA
- > Security enhancements, protocols















# **Operations developments**

## Training center and core system upgrades

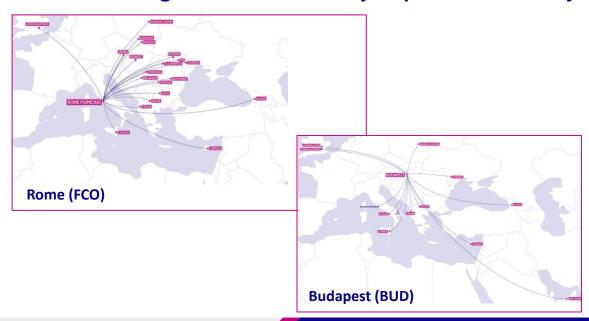
#### **Securing capacity in Europe:**

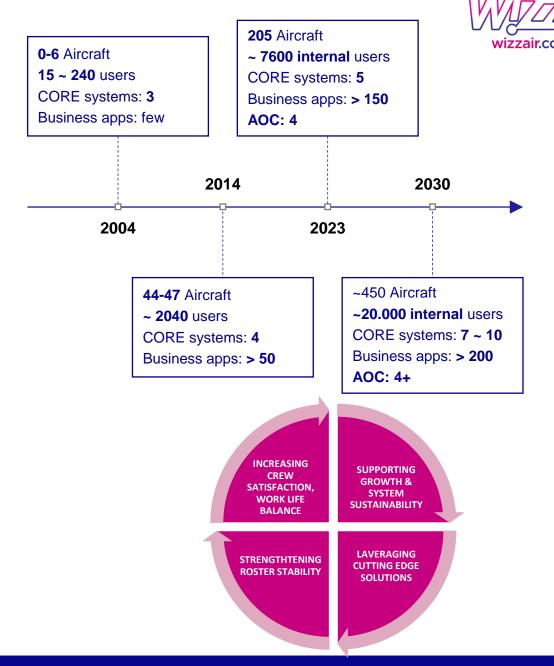
- Budapest: lower cost per training optimal for initial (long) training
- Rome: good base-to-base connection optimal for recurrent (short) training. Ready: 01 Oct 2024

#### **Key facts:**

- 30 new a/c deliveries require 1x SIM capacity for new pilot training
- > 50 a/c fleet in service requires 1 x SIM capacity for recurring training
- Training Center investment requires multiple simulators for optimal cost

#### **Greater training center connectivity improves efficiency**





# Fleet growth will deliver maintenance scale economies



Scope	Info	Stations
BASE	Base maintenance full scope	KTW, BUD, GDN, VNO, KUN
FULL SCOPE	Full line maintenance	BUD, KTW, GDN, VNO, MXP, AUH, LTN
NORMAL SCOPE	Up to A-checks (incl.)	TIA, CLJ, VIE, WAW, LGW, LCA, FCO, SOF, OTP
LIGHT SCOPE	Below A- checks	DEB, CTA, BEG, SKP, VAR, KRK, WRO, CRA, IAS, SBZ, TSR, KUT, VCE, NAP

#### **FOCUS**

#### **Invest in Infrastructure**

- Hangar facilities volume and location
- Spare Parts and Safety Stocks
- Improved parts distribution network

#### Develop in-house engineering / tech services functions

Addition of resource in key areas

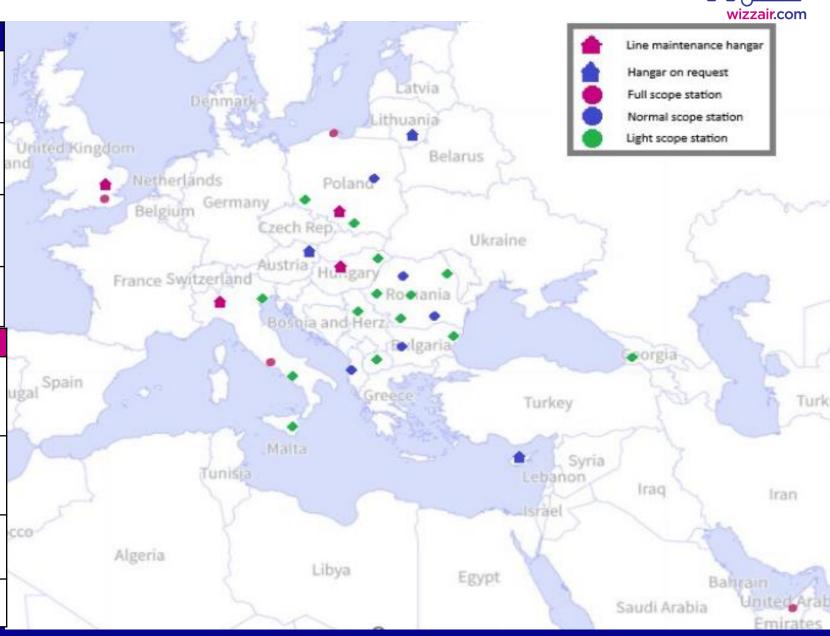
Training & development of in-house engineers

#### Strengthen oversight of providers

- Line Maintenance
- Base Maintenance

#### **Predictive and Repetitive Maintenance:**

· Automated and digital solutions



# Fuel efficiency



#### MAIN CONTRIBUTORS FOR SAVINGS

(based on policy changes/new implementations)

#### Departure Group:

> Reduced Flaps Take-off: harmonisation in take-off flap configuration between A320 and A321 fleet (introduced October 2020)

#### Flight Path Compliance Group:

Vertical Profile Descent Compliance: increase in compliance mostly driven by larger NEO share in the fleet (updated FMS) and the use of idle factors to optimise TOD calculation

#### Flight Planning Group:

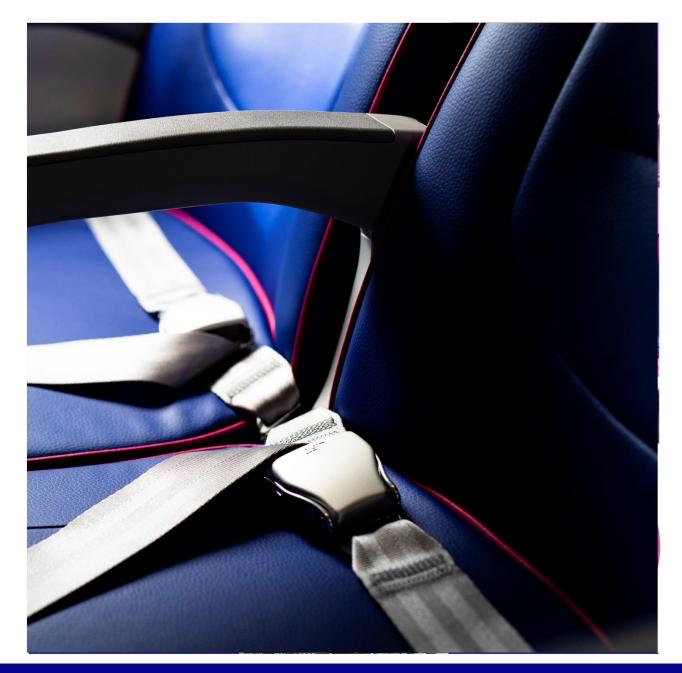
> ZFW Accuracy: machine learning model to better predict ZFW. Even though it was introduced during the first months of 2020, due to COVID uncertainties the predictions were not as expected

#### Fuel Policy Group:

- ➤ Contingency Fuel: use of 3% trip fuel as "default" contingency fuel policy (introduced in November 2021)
- Discretionary Fuel Company: permanent revision of extra fuel policies (mostly ARRDLY)
- ➤ Calculated Final Reserve Fuel: planned final reserve fuel based on estimated aircraft mass at alternate airport, instead of fixed values (introduced in January 2022)
- > Statistical Taxi Fuel: use of historical data for taxi fuel planning (introduced in January 2024)

# MANAGING REVENUE LINES

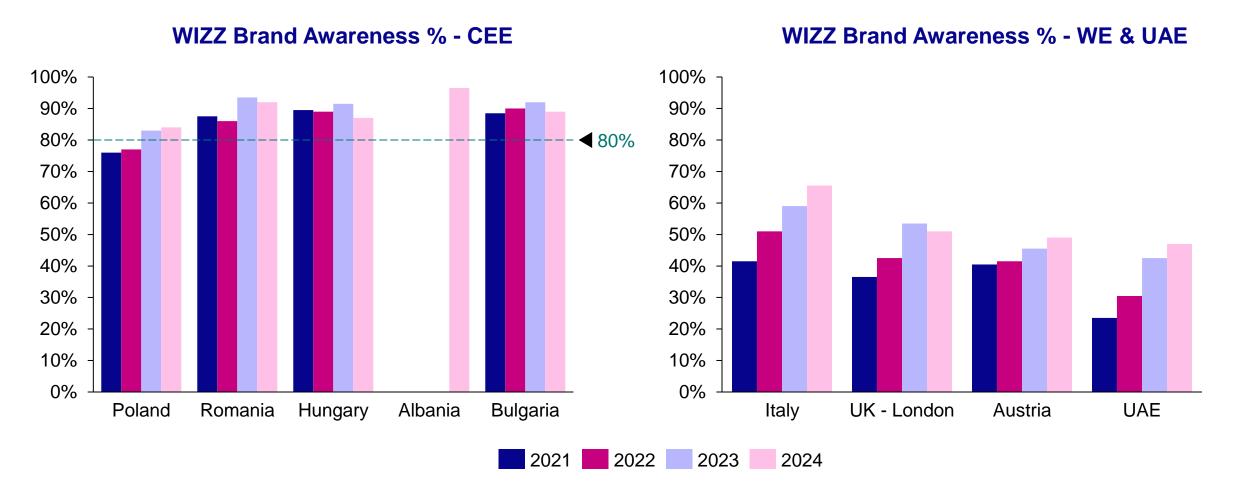




# **Building the brand**



Strong brand awareness in core CEE (80%+ considered positive) and increasing trend in WE & UAE



# Delivering both capacity and RASK growth

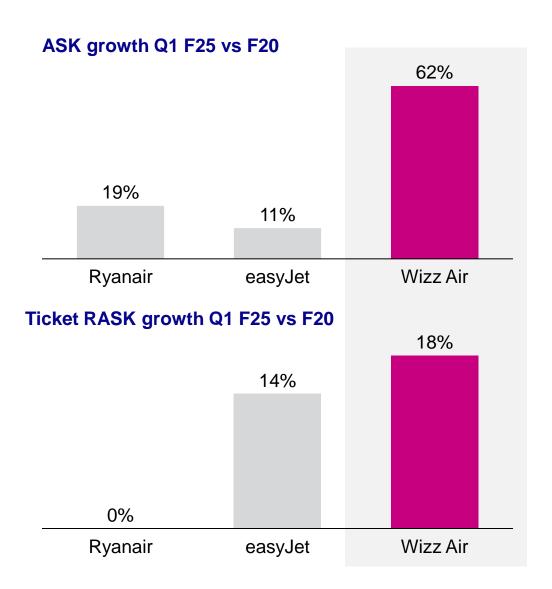


# Development of ASK & RASK Q1 F25 vs Q1 F20

Airline	ASK growth	Total RASK growth	Ticket RASK growth
Wizz Air	62%	16%	18%
Ryanair	19%	3%	0%
easyJet	11%	48%	14%



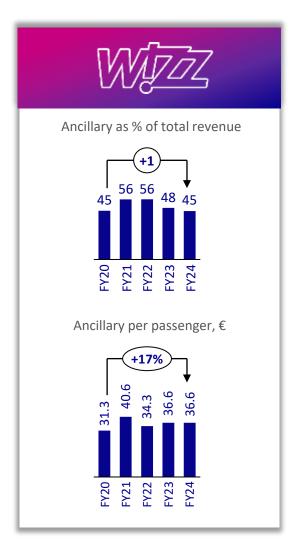
<sup>easyJet ASK growth calculated from Cirium
RASK figures adjusted to stage length of 1600KM</sup> 

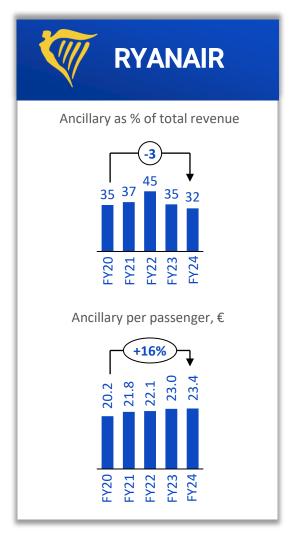


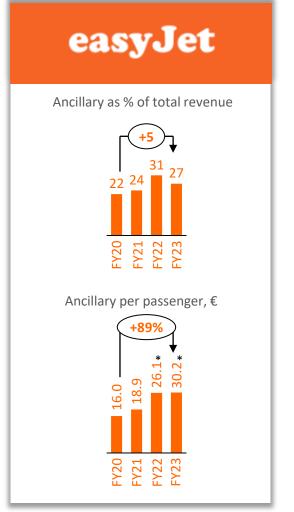
easyJet total included holidays as well, on the top of ticket and ancillary

# #1 ancillary revenue performance









\*Increased ancillary result is driven by the implementation of cabin bag charges

Wizz Air maintains the highest absolute ancillary revenue per passenger and the highest ancillary percent share of total revenue

Source: Companies reports

# **Ancillary + Ticket pricing with machine learning**



Wizz Air implemented Machine Learning in F22 yielding €1.10 per passenger in incremental Ancillary Revenue

Our **Machine Learning** initiatives initially focused on improving core stream performance of bags, seats, bundles, priority and flex, thanks to higher dynamics in the pricing process.

dynamics in the pricing process

FY24

WIZZ Flex

GO + PLUS

**BUNDLES** 

+0.33 UR

**FY23** 

MACHINE LEARNING MODEL 2 +0.15 UR

MODEL 2
EXTENSION

FY25

POST BOOKING
PRICING

BUNDLES
PRICING
PROCESS
REENGINEERING





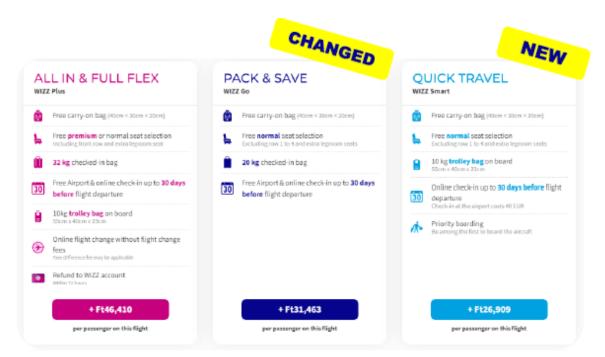
- The version upgrade of the Machine Learning model resulted in the model considering 3x more factors during the pricing process
- ➤ New inputs from current year are continuously training the model, improving accuracy of bundle pricing and responsiveness to changes
- Focus for next FY includes enhancement of the Ancillary + Ticket Total Price optimization

## **New ancillaries in F25**



#### Bundles

Customers can now select from an expanded range of bundle options, tailored to their unique travel needs, elevating their journey experience



### **WIZZ Discount Club Premium Tier**

Besides the WIZZ Discount Club (WDC) light and standard membership, WDC Premium was launched that includes the benefits of the WDC Standard plus priority boarding, trolley & seat







### **New ancillaries in F25**



### **All You Can Fly Subscription**

A 12-months subscription plan allowing the customers to access to a dedicated booking flow, where selected flights will be available for a flat price of 9.99 EUR.

More than 10k subscribers in the first three days of presale.



ONE TIME YEARLY PAYMENT FOR THE PASS

ENTIRE INTERNATIONAL WIZZ NETWORK

**3-DAY BOOKING WINDOW** 

## **WIZZ MultiPass Monthly Subscription**

A 12-months subscription plan which allows the subscribers to travel each month on the eligible Wizz Air flights by paying a monthly fixed fee including all taxes and fees.





# **Customer experience main achievements**



A customer centric approach

Major improvement in customer care

**4x** faster claim response time and

**3x** faster compensation cost payment vs. F23

Further integration of **Al technologies** to enhance customer care

Introduction of a **Smart voice bot** in Q1 F25

Launch of a **New Al-powered Chatbot** to deliver automated human like-conversations in Q1 F25.

Launching
New HelpCenter

Easy access to information and guidance on the wizzair.com website.

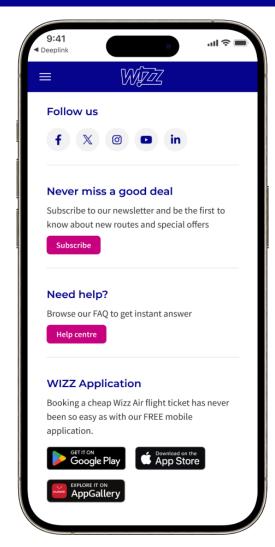
**Increased end-to-end automation** ratio to handle cases in a fast, scalable, and efficient way

**Tripled capacity** at the Customer Care Center

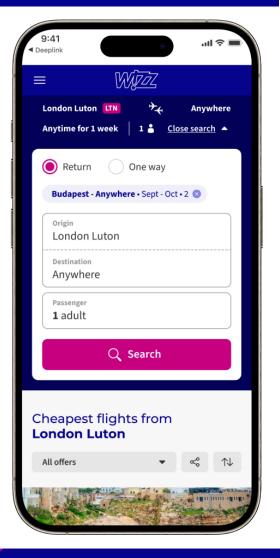
# Enhanced mobile and payments experience



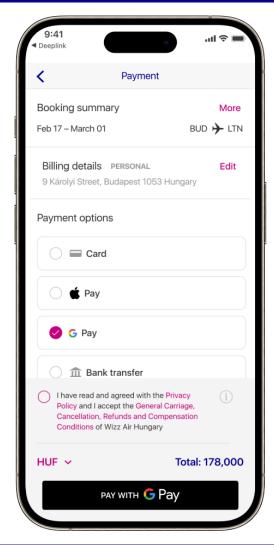
#### Mobile



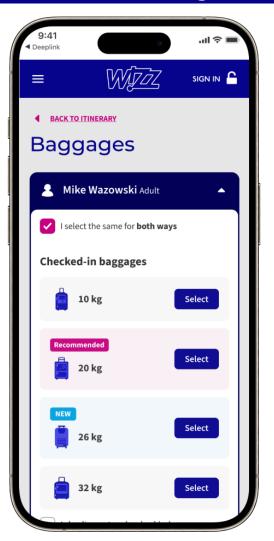
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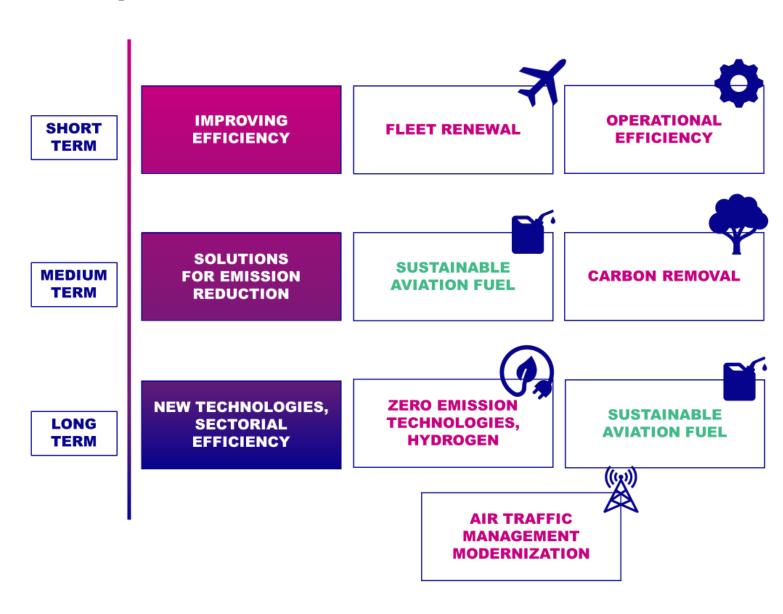
#### Merchandizing



# ESG LEADERSHIP



# Our path to decarbonization





# **Embracing SAF development through policy**



### Securing SAF supplies early on

Partnership with Mabanaft, OMV, Neste and Cepsa

# Equity investments to support SAF production and research in long-term

- £5 million in a biofuel company, Firefly
- \$50 million investment round, as part of Indigo Partners, in a US-based SAF start-up, CleanJoule

### Government and industry collaboration

- European Commission's Alliance for Zero-Emission Aviation
- Renewable and Low-Carbon Fuels Value Chain Industrial Alliance
- > SAF supply test in Budapest with Neste and MOL
- Working with national governments to advise on SAF strategies

### Wizz Air sets 10% SAF goal

- Aspiration to power 10% of our flights with SAF by 2030
- Ambition is aligned with the UK's SAF mandate
- We urge policymakers to address barriers to SAF deployment at scale:
  - incentivizing production
  - providing price support
  - embracing additional sustainable feedstocks for biofuel production



# What makes Wizz Air the greenest choice?





HIGH SEAT CAPACITY LOWEST EMISSIONS PER PASSENGER



LEADING IN FLEET RENEWAL



FUEL-EFFICIENT AIRCRAFT AND ENGINES



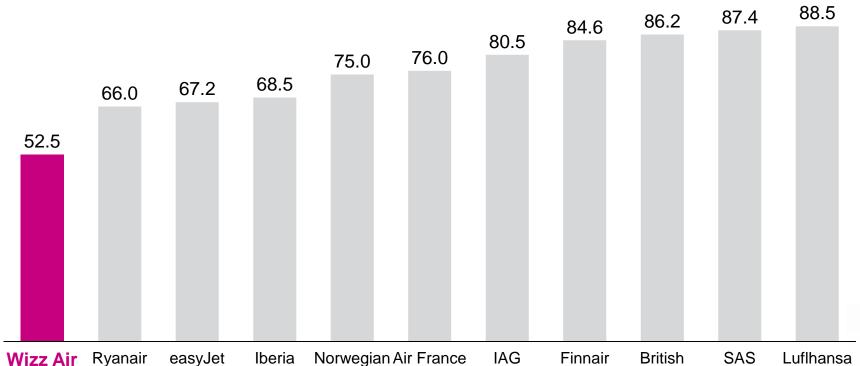
PIONEERING SUSTAINABLE AVIATION FUEL

# **Industry leader in CO2 intensity**



Average fleet age

### CO2 per RPK (in grams)



Wizz Air 4.4 SAS 8.6 Ryanair easyJet 8.25 Norwegian 9.9 **Iberia** 10 **Finnair** 11.6 ITA 11.6 **IAG** 12 **AF KLM** 12 Lufthansa 13.4 N/A **British Airways** 

Environmental Sustainability Airline of the Year 2023

**Airline** 



Based on the latest publicly disclosed emission information applicable to a 12-month period. Due to differences in reporting period, the figures and timeframe are not fully aligned.

# First equity investment in SAF



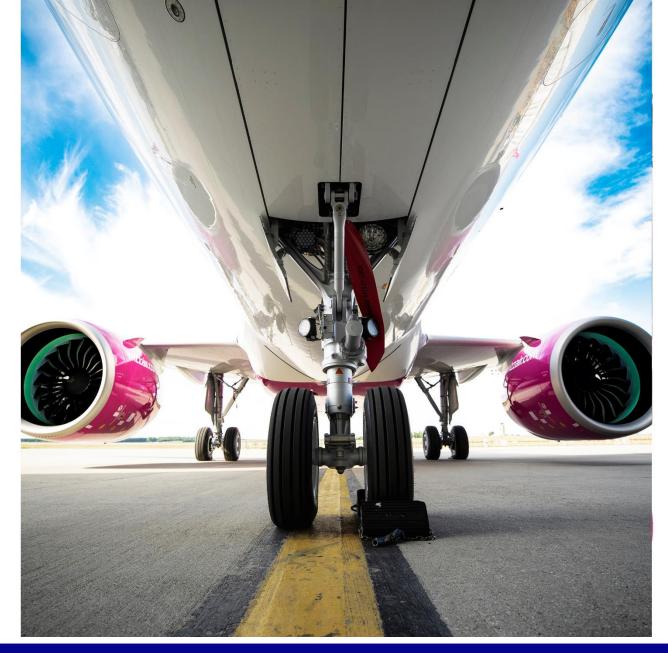
In May 2023 the company announced its investment of £5,000,000 to support Firefly's SAF process development in the UK.

Wizz Air has been awarded 'Strategic Investment of The Year – Europe' at the 2024 SAF Investor Awards in London for its equity investment in Firefly.





# FINANCING AND ACCOUNTING CONSIDERATIONS



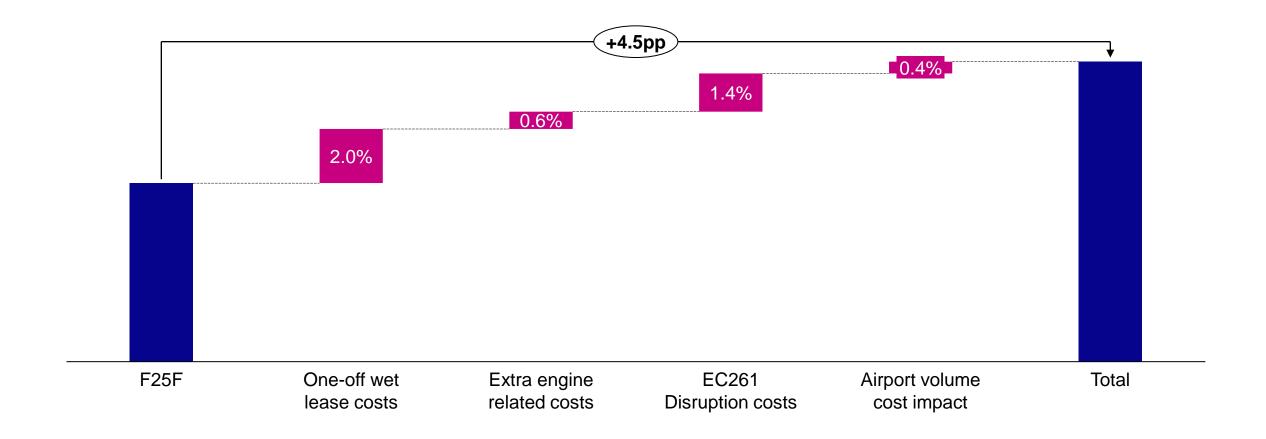


# Illustrative P&W -adjusted profit bridge

**ILLUSTRATIVE** 



Identified additional costs above P&W compensation impacting potential profit margins



# Orderbook & capital allocation policy

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### Wizz Air method

### Financing

- Shorter commitment to lessors for new aircraft financing
- Preference for EUR-denominated rent leases
- Credit rating and attractive business plan supports aggressive pricing by lessor community
- Growing share of JOLCO-financed aircraft, supporting financing costs and elevated ownership ratio on the long-run
- Upfront gain on aircraft sale

### CAPEX

- Orderbook with Airbus with 311 remaining A321 NEO family aircraft
- Long term capex plan to reach a fleet of 451 by 2030E



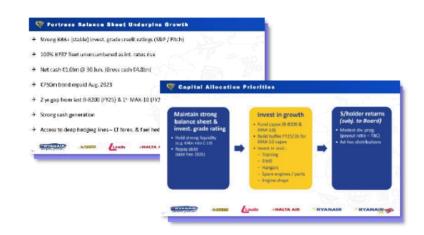
### **Ryanair method**

### Financing

- Fund mainly from internal cashflow & NG disposals
- 100% B737NG fleet unencumbered
- Access to bonds (€6bn EMTN prog.) / Banks / SLB / JOLCO / Other
- Debt maturity profile:
  - Sep. 25 €0.85bn bond (@ 2.875%)
  - May 26 €1.20bn bond (@ 0.875%)

### CAPEX

- B-8200 peak FY24 (€2.8bn incl. \$250m MAX-10 deposit)
- MAX-10 start slowly FY25/FY26 & peaks@< €3bn in FY30/FY31

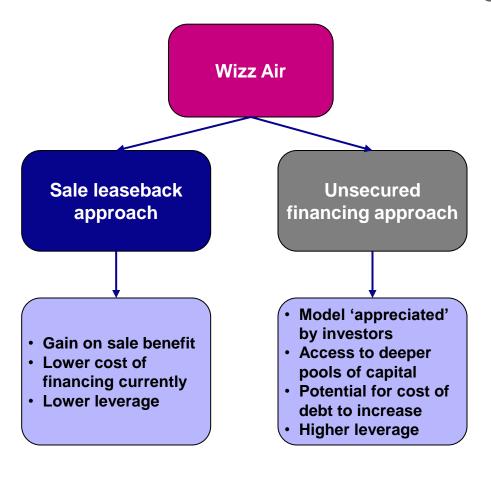


### **ILLUSTRATIVE**

# Medium to long -term financing strategy

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Short term credit metrics drive long-term equity value



There is rational for some debt issuance, when the time is right

- While a leasing-based model is more leverage-friendly on Day-1 and provides higher returns for equity holders, in the long-run, and given Wizz Air's expansion plans, a gradual shift to a balance sheet with a higher share of owned fleet will have credit-positive effect
- This is part of a planned approach to facilitate liquidity and leverage management, with a portion of Wizz Air's fleet grounded and a growing new aircraft delivery schedule
- It will provide access to different pools of capital and has the potential to unlock an equity multiple re-rating as Wizz Air then becomes more comparable to its airline peers
- As such, with a primary aim of retaining an Investment Grade rating, Wizz Air should be guided by expected leverage metrics and opportunistically adjust lease vs. owned choice not deviating significantly from a defined trajectory

# Focus on short-term credit metrics to support long-term financing



**ILLUSTRATIVE** 

- Wizz Air currently funds itself at a cost of debt which is 170\* bps higher than Ryanair
- On a net income basis, assuming the status quo approach of "Sale and Leaseback" currently in use by Wizz, and at a P/E of 8.0x (in line with Wizz LTM and peers average), the equity valuation of Wizz Air in FY29 could be expected to be ~€5.4bn
- Assuming a funding structure similar to its peer group, Wizz Air should be able to achieve ~€1.6bn in incremental equity valuation
- Additionally, an even higher valuation would potentially be available in FY29 if Wizz Air is able to secure a higher credit rating in line with easyJet and Ryanair

Unfunded debt model - implied illustrative equity valuation as of FY29E (Euro m)	At Wizz Air cost of capital	At Ryanair cost of capital	
F29E EBITDA	3,174	3,174	
D&A	(1,333)	(1,333)	
Interest expense	(685)	(451)	
Tax (25%)	(258)	(291)	
F29E Net Income	898	1,099	
LTM PE	8.0x	8.0x	
Equity	7,184	8,792	

\*Source: GS Research, Bloomberg as of 30-Sep-2024

# Transitioning to an "alternate" model can be expensive, but can ultimately lead to a higher equity valuation



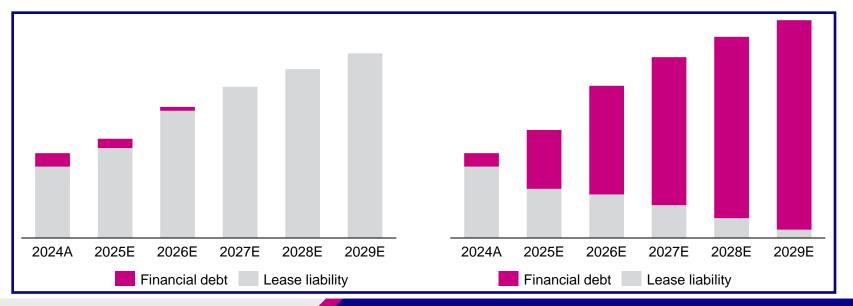
- To unlock this equity value, Wizz Air would need to shift completely an owned-asset model and would under current circumstance be expensive given the guantum of debt to be raised (>€0.4bn extra interest over 2025-29E)
- This additional cost is further exacerbated by Wizz Air's split credit rating causing the Group to issue debt at a premium to its peer group therefore, the immediate focus is on the combination of a) profitability (+ cash generation), and b) leverage "light" financing, to maintain high liquidity, support the short term Wizz credit rating and facilitate a future higher equity valuation when the cost to shift to owned aircraft is cheaper
- Moreover, the sale & leaseback model remains the more interesting approach from an equity returns view given the lower cost of financing and the lesser amount of leverage and the lower cost of financing

### Sale leaseback gross debt build up

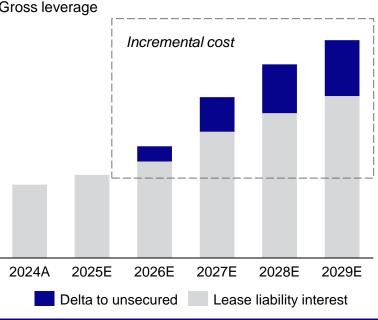
2024A	2025E	2026E	2027E	2028E	2029E
4.0x	3.9x	2.7x	2.4x	2.1x	1.9x
5.2x	4.8x	3.3x	3.1x	3.0x	2.9x

### Unsecured financing gross debt build up

2024A	2025E	2026E	2027E	2028E	2029E	
4.0x	4.1x	4.3x	4.2x	4.2x	4.0x	Net leverage
5.2x	5.2x	5.4x	5.3x	5.2x	5.1x	Gross leverag



### Additional cost of unsecured financing

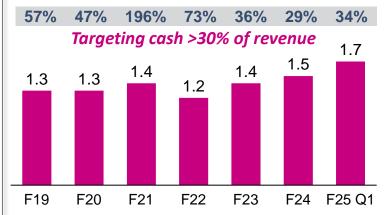


# Proactive capital / liability management policy

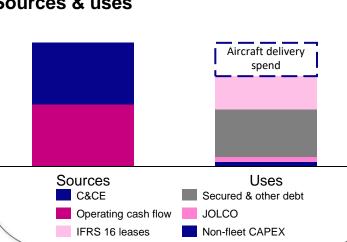


### Liquidity management

### Cash balance and % of revenue (€ bn)

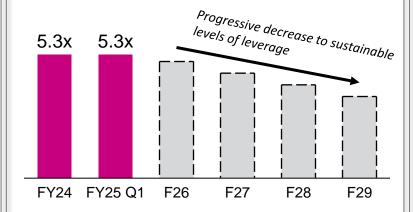


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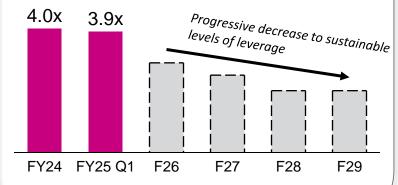


### **Capital management**

### Gross debt / EBITDA (x)



### Net debt / EBITDA (x)



Targeting ~2.0x adjusted grounded assets EBITDA loss

### **Access to capital**

### **Debt markets**

- Access to new / deeper pools of capital and different investor base
- Currently higher cost of capital
- Ratings considerations
- Residual value risk on aircraft disposals

### Sale & lease back

- Upfront gain on aircraft sales
- · Enhanced cash management
- Efficient tax structure
- No residual value risk

### **JOLCO / Finance lease / FTL**

- Efficient tax structure supported by local incentives
- Alternative to traditional financing
- · Aircraft purchase option
- No upfront gain on aircraft sale
- Higher leverage

# **Summary**



# Superior fleet economics & execution

### Focus on profitability

Allow the true potential of the A321neo to shine

### **Mitigating challenges**

Remove the barriers, now that we have identified them

Wizz Air agility & expertise

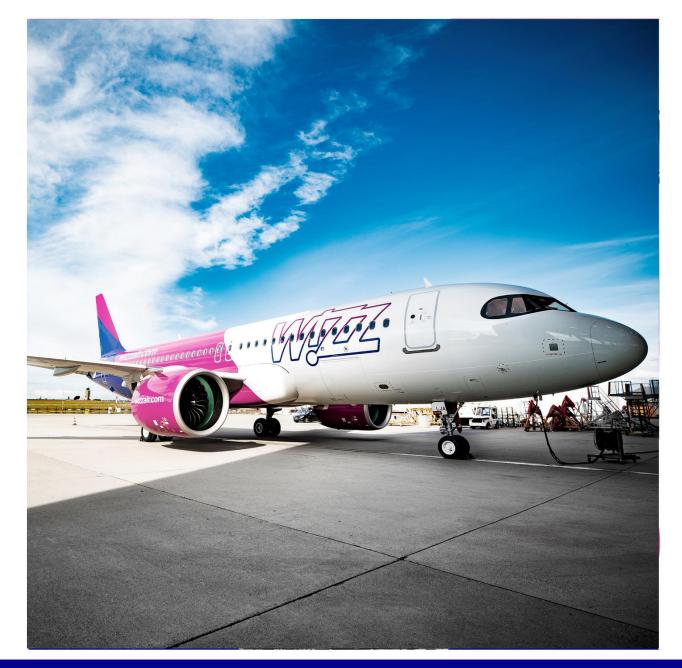
Demand from existing core markets

### **Planning for growth**

Optimize and defend key markets and capitalize when others stop growing

# **THANK YOU**





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