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Air Namibia signs agreement with Turkish Airlines

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SPIRIT OF THE NATION ... Air Namibia planes.

AIR Namibia has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Turkish Airlines, it was announced yesterday.

The agreement was signed by the Chief Investment and Technology Officer of Turkish Airlines, Ahmet Bolat and Air Namibia Managing Director Theo Namases in Istanbul, Turkey.

Air Namibia said the agreement will see commercial cooperation between the two airlines and increase air traffic for passengers and cargo between Namibia and Turkey.

The agreement also seeks to facilitate human capital development and training, coordinated network development, strengthen operating and technical capabilities of Air Namibia, as well as overall improvement of Air Namibia's service standards and efficiency levels.

"This cooperative agreement is in line with our roadmap which will see Air Namibia build a strong business, strengthen our route network, improve commercial agility and service standards, better our already high dispatch reliability, as well as human capital development aspects. Turkish Airlines is a good benchmark for us, given their "record high" achievements over the last couple of years, including being crowned the 'Best Airline in Europe' for three years in a row including year 2013", said Namases.

Bolat said by building a bridge between Turkey and Namibia via Istanbul hub, the airline was strengthening its presence in Africa.

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