



AirAsia X to launch KIX-Taipei route

- Four weekly flights starting from January 30, 2019 -

Kansai Airports is delighted to announce that AirAsia X (D7), Malaysia's low-cost carrier, will launch four weekly flights connecting Kansai International Airport (KIX) to Taiwan Taoyuan International Airport in Taipei on January 30, 2019. With the launch, AirAsia Group will serve the most routes to KIX among other airports in Japan, adding Taipei to the group's three existing destinations to the airport: Kuala Lumpur, Bangkok and Honolulu.

While Taipei is one of the popular destinations among Japanese due to its proximity, the number of Taiwanese visiting Japan is also growing, showing a 9.5 percent year-on-year increase, according to JINTO data. The AirAsia X's new flights will bring the number of weekly flights between KIX and Taipei to 134, which is expected to make travel between the two countries more convenient and help boost travel demand.

Kansai Airports will continue to explore opportunities to expand its global network including low-cost carrier routes, providing a more convenient and comfortable passenger experience for airport guests.

- Launch Date
Wednesday, January 30, 2019

- Flight Schedule

Destination	Flight No.	Schedule (local time)	Frequency
Taipei (Taoyuan)	D7 370	Taipei (16:55) → Kansai (20:45)	Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri
	D7 371	Kansai (22:00) → Taipei (23:55)	Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri

- Aircraft Specification
Model: Airbus A330
Seats: 377 (12 Premium Flatbed, 365 Economy)



Image source: AirAsia X

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Kansai Airports was established by a consortium made up of VINCI Airports and ORIX Corporation as its core members. Kansai Airports took over the operations of Kansai International Airport (“KIX”) and Osaka International Airport (“ITAMI”) from New Kansai International Airport Company (“NKIAC”) and has been operating the two airports since April 1, 2016.

Kansai Airports Kobe, Kansai Airports’ wholly-owned subsidiary, took over the operations of Kobe Airport (“KOBE”) from Kobe City and started its business as an operating company on April 1, 2018.

Under the concept of “One Kansai Airports Group”, Kansai Airports group strives to continuously improve its services for all airport guests through appropriate investments and efficient operations, with safety and security being the top priority. Kansai Airports group aims to maximize the potential of the three airports, for the benefit of the communities they serve.

For more information, please visit : www.kansai-airports.co.jp/en/

Kansai Airports

Location	1-banchi, Senshu-kuko kita, Izumisano-shi, Osaka	Shareholders	ORIX 40%, VINCI Airports 40%, Other investors 20% ¹
Company Representatives	Representative Director and CEO:Yoshiyuki Yamaya Representative Director and Co-CEO: Emmanuel Menanteau		
Business Scope	Operation and management services, etc. of Kansai International Airport and Osaka International Airport		

Kansai Airports Kobe

Location	1-ban, Kobe-kuko, Chuo-ku, Kobe-shi, Hyogo	Shareholder	Kansai Airports 100%
Company Representatives	Representative Director and CEO: Yoshiyuki Yamaya Representative Director and Co-CEO: Emmanuel Menanteau		
Business Scope	Operation and management services, etc. of Kobe Airport		



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VINCI Airports, a top 5 global player in the international airport sector, manages the development and operations of 36 airports located in France, Portugal (including the hub of Lisbon), Cambodia, Japan, Dominican Republic, Chile and Brazil. Served by more than 200 airlines, VINCI Airports’ network handled 156.6 million passengers in 2017.

Through its expertise as a comprehensive integrator and the professionalism of its 12,000 employees, VINCI Airports develops, finances, builds and operates airports, leveraging its investment capability, international network and know-how to optimize the management and performance of existing airport infrastructure, facility extensions and new construction. In 2017, its annual revenue for managed activities amounted to €3.2 bn, for a consolidated revenue of €1.4 bn.

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