



Kenya Airways operating the first flight from Africa using Eni Sustainable Mobility's aviation biofuel

Rome - Nairobi, 25th May 2023 – Kenya's national carrier Kenya Airways (KQ) becomes the first African airline to use SAF (Sustainable Aviation Fuel) provided by Eni for a long-haul flight. KQ will be participating in the second edition of the Sustainable Flight Challenge (TSFC), an initiative of SkyTeam. The initiative is a friendly competition between SkyTeam member airlines.

The Boeing 787-800 (B787-8) Dreamliner, that took off today from Nairobi's Jomo Kenyatta International Airport to Amsterdam Schiphol, is the first Kenya Airways flight powered also by Eni Sustainable Mobility's sustainable aviation fuel. For this flight, JetA1 fuel is mixed with Eni Biojet, produced in the Eni's Livorno refinery by distilling the bio-components produced from the Gela biorefinery.

"Working with Eni Sustainable Mobility to pilot the use of Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) puts us on the first pathway to testing the use of Sustainable Aviation Fuel within Africa. The data and insights generated from the pilot flight will be valuable to inform policy decisions, regulatory frameworks, and industry best practices related to SAF. This will be a significant milestone for Kenya Airways and the broader African aviation industry" states Allan Kilavuka, CEO of Kenya Airways.

Eni Biojet contains 100% biogenic feedstock and is suitable for use with up to 50% of JetA1 fuel. For this flight it was mixed with conventional jet fuel by Kenya Airways in Nairobi. KQ is working together with Eni to use sustainable aviation fuel for its flights out of the country: the SAF-fuelled Nairobi-Amsterdam flight allows KQ to gain a competitive advantage in the continent.

"The supply of Eni Biojet to Nairobi Airport is an important step for Eni Sustainable Mobility because it confirms that the company can support airlines such as Kenya Airways in their path towards decarbonisation" says Stefano Ballista, CEO Eni Sustainable Mobility.

From 2025, all aircraft departing from European airports will be required to incorporate a proportion of SAF. As a result, KQ is positioning itself to take advantage of sustainable aviation fuel momentum in accordance with the direction indicated by the European Union

with the ReFuelEU Aviation regulation that sets the targets for mixing traditional fuels with increased amounts of more sustainable fuels.

Eni already markets an aviation fuel containing a 20% biogenic component, JetA1+Eni Biojet. The company has also signed agreements with national and international airlines as well as airports and logistics operators in order to supply it. As of 2024, the Venice and Gela biorefineries will begin production of Eni Biojet from renewable raw materials: it is expected to exceed 200,000 tonnes per year. This target requires a significant supply of raw materials, for which Eni is also active in developing a supply chain in Kenya to collect UCOs (Used Cooking Oil) by working with companies and operators in the food sector, contributing to managing food waste as part of a circular economy, as well as a network of agri-hubs in Kenya and other African countries to produce vegetable oils from marginal lands not in competition with food chain.

Eni Sustainable Mobility and Kenya Airways are working on a broader agreement for longterm collaboration.

About Kenya Airways

Kenya Airways, a member of the Sky Team Alliance, is a leading African airline flying to 42 destinations worldwide, 35 of which are in Africa. Prior to the COVID pandemic, the airline carried a record number of over five million passengers in 2019. Its fleet comprises of wide body Boeing aircrafts, this includes its flagship B787 Dreamliner and narrow body Embraer E190 aircrafts. The on-board service is renowned and the lie-flat business class seat on the wide-body aircraft is consistently voted among the world's top 10. Kenya Airways takes pride in being at the forefront of connecting Africa to the World and the World to Africa through its hub at the new ultra-modern Terminal 1A at the Jomo Kenyatta International Airport in Nairobi.

About Eni Sustainable Mobility

Eni Sustainable Mobility is the Eni company dedicated to sustainable mobility. The company is vertically integrated along the entire value chain to provide gradually decarbonized services and products that support the energy transition and accelerate the path to net zero emissions throughout their entire life cycle. The company incorporates existing bio-refining and biomethane assets, including the Venice and Gela bio-refineries, and oversees the development of new projects, including the biorefineries in Livorno (Italy) and Pengerang (Malaysia) which are currently under evaluation. Eni Sustainable Mobility also incorporates a network of over 5,000 sales points in Europe to market and distribute a number of energy carriers, among them fuels of organic origin including HVO (Hydrogenated Vegetable Oil) and biomethane, as well as hydrogen and electricity, in addition to other mobility products such as bitumen, lubricants and fuels. Eni station network also support Eni's other mobility-related services such as the Enjoy car sharing service, food services and stores close to Eni's retail outlets. Eni Sustainable Mobility is directly controlled by Eni, which holds 100% of its share capital.

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