

Amadeus teams further with SAP to deliver enhanced integrated travel management and expense solution
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Amadeus extends existing eight year global partnership with SAP to jointly market integrated travel management and expense solution - The new solution is already available and is compatible with existing SAP(R) solutions

Amadeus, a leading global technology and distribution partner for the travel and tourism industry, today announced an expanded partnership with SAP AG, the world's leading provider of business software*, to market an enhanced travel management and expense solution for corporations.

Made up of the travel expense management functionality in the SAP(R) Travel Management application and Amadeus e-Travel Management, this approach responds to customer demand for open, modular travel management solutions that can work with their existing chosen expense systems rather than alternative stand-alone platforms. It also brings corporations the benefits of regular automatic upgrades of Amadeus e-Travel Management, which will be fully compatible with their SAP solution-based environments.

This solution, built on the long-term partnership between Amadeus and SAP, is available now and will be marketed by both companies to corporations worldwide, including existing customers of SAP Travel Management.

Claude Giafferri, Vice President, Travel Office Products and Solutions of Amadeus, said, 'Companies are increasingly demanding seamless collaboration between finance, HR and travel management platforms as a means of improving travel processes and increasing workflow efficiency. Through our partnership with SAP, we are now delivering a powerful offering that meets these demands and avoids companies having to go through the pain of installing and migrating to new systems.'

'We are excited to expand our partnership with Amadeus and deliver a solution that can be implemented in any corporation using Amadeus e-Travel Management integrated with SAP Travel Management,' said Hendrik Vordenbäumen, Vice President, HCM/Travel Solution Management, SAP. 'This represents many long years of collaboration with Amadeus, through which we will continue to deliver the tightly integrated solutions based on our jointly aligned roadmaps.'

Amadeus e-Travel Management helps corporations to manage their global travel programs more efficiently and cost effectively. The travel expense management functionality in SAP Travel Management offers easy-to-use functions that expedite the entry and processing of travel expense reports and streamline accounting and settlement processes. SAP Travel Management, part of the SAP ERP application, provides software that ensures substantial, immediate and ongoing savings.

For end-users, the integrated package achieves a more automated, seamless, speedier workflow, reducing the time required to process expense claims. For management, the solutions brings improved data accuracy and security, more accurate claims and a more comprehensive view of travel spend enabling greater travel program effectiveness.

About Amadeus

Amadeus is the chosen technology partner for providers, sellers, and buyers of travel. The company provides distribution, IT and point-of-sale solutions to help its customers adapt, grow and succeed in the fast changing travel industry. Customer groups include travel providers (airlines, hotels, car rental companies, railway companies, ferry lines, cruise lines, insurance companies and tour operators), travel sellers (travel agencies) and travel buyers (corporations and travelers). Solutions are grouped in four solution categories - Distribution & Content, Sales & e-Commerce, Business Management and Services & Consulting.

Amadeus has central sites in Madrid (corporate headquarters & marketing), Nice (development) and Erding (Operations - data processing centre) and regional offices in Miami, Buenos Aires and Bangkok. Amadeus maintains customer operations in 76 countries covering more than 215 markets. Amadeus employs over 7,800 employees worldwide, representing 95 nationalities.

More information about Amadeus is available at: www.amadeus.com

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