

## Press Information

**Major order for Recaro Aircraft Seating / Extension of exclusive long-term partnership with one of Europe's leading airlines**

### **easyJet orders Recaro lightweight seat SL3510**

Schwaebisch Hall, Germany. easyJet has ordered 30,000 additional Recaro seats, both to retrofit its current A320 fleet and to equip new aircraft. The airline is relying on the proven lightweight seat SL3510, which will be delivered with further innovative features like a tablet PC holder. The two companies have agreed on an extension of the exclusive partnership: easyJet will equip its aircraft solely with Recaro seats in the coming years.

Thanks to its very positive experiences with the Recaro SL3510 seat since 2013, easyJet will now retrofit 56 A320 aircraft of its current fleet with more than 10,000 seats. The airline has also decided to further work exclusively with Recaro Aircraft Seating as its linefit supplier for several years: this order is representing a volume of 20,000 seats for their 100 A320neo aircraft – with an option to equip an additional 100 new aircraft with another 20,000 seats.

easyJet Chief Operating Officer Warwick Brady said: "As Europe's leading airline we focus our objectives on ensuring flying with us is as easy and affordable for our customers as we can make it. With Recaro Aircraft Seating, we have the ideal partner at our side. The SL3510 won us over with its combination of increased space,

lightweight design and reduced number of components.” This is why easyJet decided not only to equip all new aircraft with Recaro seats, but also launched a retrofit program for all existing A320 aircraft too.

“We’re very pleased about the extension of our exclusive partnership with easyJet and the order for our economy class product SL3510. The seat’s enhanced living space combined with its low weight has made it a benchmark in the short-range segment,” explained Dr. Mark Hiller, Chief Executive Officer and Shareholder of Recaro Aircraft Seating. “With its innovative and ecologically attractive portfolio of features, the seat which won the Crystal Cabin Award convinced many of our customers.”

### **Lightweight SL3510 with innovative features**

At just nine kilograms per seat, the SL3510 is a real lightweight: by installing this Recaro seat model, every retrofitted easyJet aircraft will be 600 kilograms lighter than before. This will help the airline to reduce its fuel consumption, thus lowering its CO<sub>2</sub> emissions considerably. To ensure a pleasant flying experience on board, Recaro developers focused on the seat’s ergonomic qualities. The backrest angle is pre-defined for a relaxed sitting position, and the netting in the aluminum frame conforms to the shape of the passenger’s spine. Because its backrest is very slim, the SL3510 also offers significantly more legroom than comparable seat models. The seat will be delivered with an integrated holder for tablet PCs. Last but not least, a drastic reduction in the number of parts also means that the seat is extremely robust, thus lowering maintenance costs for the airline.

*Recaro Aircraft Seating is a globally active supplier of premium aircraft seats for the leading airlines worldwide. The company has more than 1,900 employees, including 1,000 working in Germany, and operates plants in*

*Germany, Poland, South Africa, the USA and China as well as service centers in Europe, the Americas, the Middle East, Asia and Australia. Based in Schwäbisch Hall, Germany, Recaro Aircraft Seating generated sales of 367 million Euros in 2014. The company ranks among the world's top three aircraft seat manufacturers.*

*Recaro Aircraft Seating is part of the Recaro Group, which includes the independently operating division Recaro Child Safety (child car seats), in Marktleugast, Germany.*

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