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## STAR ALLIANCE LAUNCHES ONLINE CIRCLE FARE AND AIRPASS CALCULATOR

FRANKFURT, Germany- January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2008 – Customers making travel arrangements using the various Star Alliance fare products can now make use of a new online tool which simplifies the planning process. The Circle Fare and Airpass Calculator, available on the Star Alliance website at [www.staralliance.com/fareproductcalculators](http://www.staralliance.com/fareproductcalculators) allows customers to plan their preferred routings at their convenience, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Once a valid itinerary for the desired trip has been created, it can then be transmitted to one of the member carriers for ticketing or printed and taken to a travel agent.

“At Star Alliance we offer customers a wide choice of fare options for journeys across our leading airline network of 19 member airlines. Working out an ideal routing from such a large number of destinations, countries and flights, has admittedly been quite complex in the past. We are very pleased that we can now offer our customers a new online tool with which they can plan their personal itineraries in an easy and simple manner”, said Horst Findeisen, Vice President Business Development at Star Alliance.

The Circle Fare and Airpass Calculator enables customers to build itineraries using any of the following Star Alliance Fare Products:

- Circle Asia Fare
- Circle Pacific Fare
- African Airpass
- Asian Airpass
- European Airpass
- Japan Airpass
- North American Airpass
- South Pacific Airpass
- Thailand Airpass

Further details on these fare products can be found at [www.staralliance.com](http://www.staralliance.com)

Star Alliance first introduced a fare tool online - the Round the World Mileage Calculator - in 2004, which allows customers to plan their global routings in the comfort of their own home. With the addition of the Circle Fare and Airpass Calculator, all Star Alliance fare products available to the general public are now supported with an online planning tool.

About Star Alliance:

The Star Alliance network was established in 1997 as the first truly global airline alliance to offer customers worldwide reach and a smooth travel experience. Star Alliance was voted Best Airline Alliance by Business Traveller Magazine in 2003, 2006 and 2007 and by Skytrax in 2003, 2005 and 2007. The members are Air Canada, Air China, Air New Zealand, ANA, Asiana Airlines, Austrian, bmi, LOT Polish Airlines, Lufthansa, Scandinavian Airlines, Shanghai Airlines, Singapore Airlines, South African Airways, Spanair, SWISS, TAP Portugal, THAI, United and US Airways. Regional member carriers Adria Airways (Slovenia), Blue1 (Finland) and Croatia Airlines enhance the global network. Air India, EgyptAir and Turkish Airlines have been accepted as future members. Overall, the Star Alliance network offers more than 17,000 daily flights to 897 destinations in 160 countries.