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SWISS voted best airline in Europe

Swiss International Air Lines has won the prestigious Skytrax 2009 World Airline Award as 'Best Airline: Europe' for its short- and long-haul flights. The distinction stems from the latest survey of millions of air travellers conducted by Skytrax, the reputed UK-based consultants. The award was presented to SWISS in Hamburg yesterday.

More than 15.4 million air travellers from 95 countries took part in the latest survey by UK consultants Skytrax. The poll extended to over 160 airlines all over the world, and named SWISS as 'Best Airline: Europe'.

"We're delighted at this distinction, especially as it's a verdict that comes directly from the traveller," said Markus Binkert, SWISS's Head of Product & Services, accepting the award in Hamburg yesterday on behalf of the company and its personnel. "It's also clear confirmation that our quality drive on the ground and in the air is appreciated by our customers."

SWISS's ongoing investments in its products and services will reach a further high point on 20 April, when the first of the company's new Airbus A330-300s enters revenue service. The new long-hauler offers a truly top-calibre product in First, Business and Economy Class.