

“Sharpening our competitive edge”: Singapore to expand Changi Airport’s network



Terminal 4 flight connections at Singapore Changi Airport

Looking to sharpen its competitive edge in the world of aviation, Singapore is set to expand Changi Airport’s network of destination cities from the current 150 to over 200 by the mid 2030s.

A report by Singaporean multinational news channel CNA said global air passenger volume is expected to double by 2040.

The Prime Minister of Singapore Lawrence Wong noted that many international airlines are expanding their fleets and networks to serve more direct routes and Changi stopovers may no longer be needed.

“We must continue to sharpen our competitive edge and develop new advantages to set us apart,” he said.

One such advantage is to boost the productivity of Changi Airport with the new addition of Terminal 5. This is further supported by innovation coming from the new International Aviation Lab, a joint project amongst eight industry players including aircraft manufacturers, Changi Airport Group and Singapore University of Technology and Design.

The lab will open by 2026 with projects starting next year. It aims to address challenges related to capacity, productivity and safety.