

Future European Operations

Leisure Traffic and Tourism: How will Airline Business Models evolve?

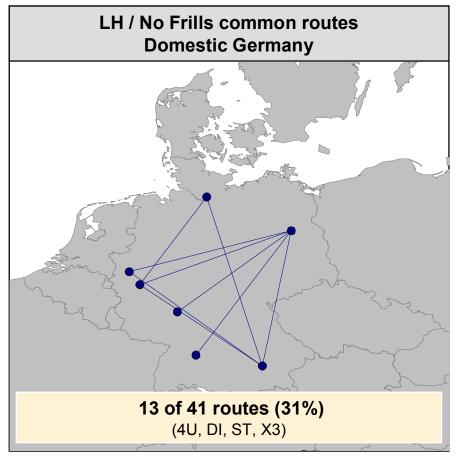
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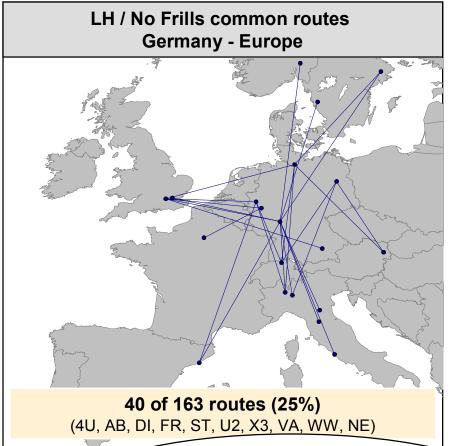
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The rise of the No Frills carriers puts the economic performance of the traditional carriers under pressure

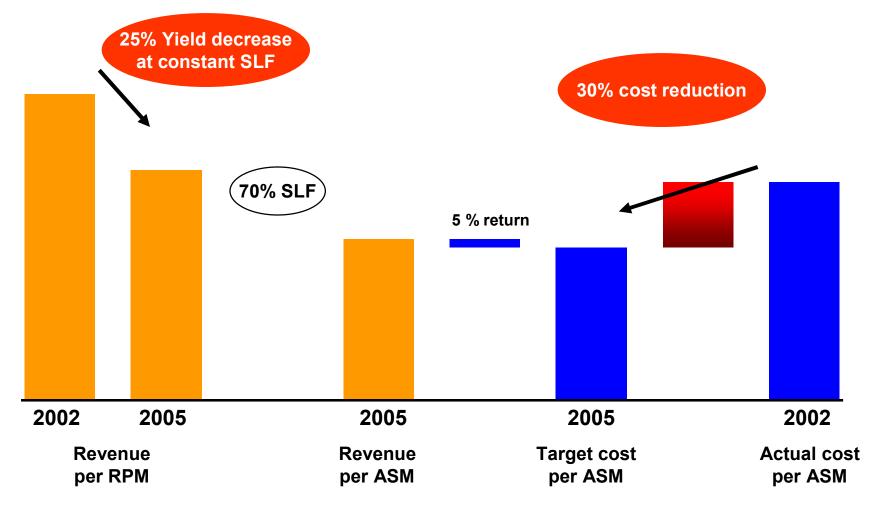




Not only the price counts, but also punctuality and reliability

Trimming cost by 30% is mandatory

Lufthansa cost and revenue in Euro cents



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What can Network Carriers learn from their No Frills competitors?

Expectation management

Do only promise what you can definitely keep

→ Effectiveness of supply

Do not produce anything your customer does not want to pay for

→ Efficency of production and cost

Avoid to build slack or to pay for something you may not have to pay for

Freedom to choose business partners

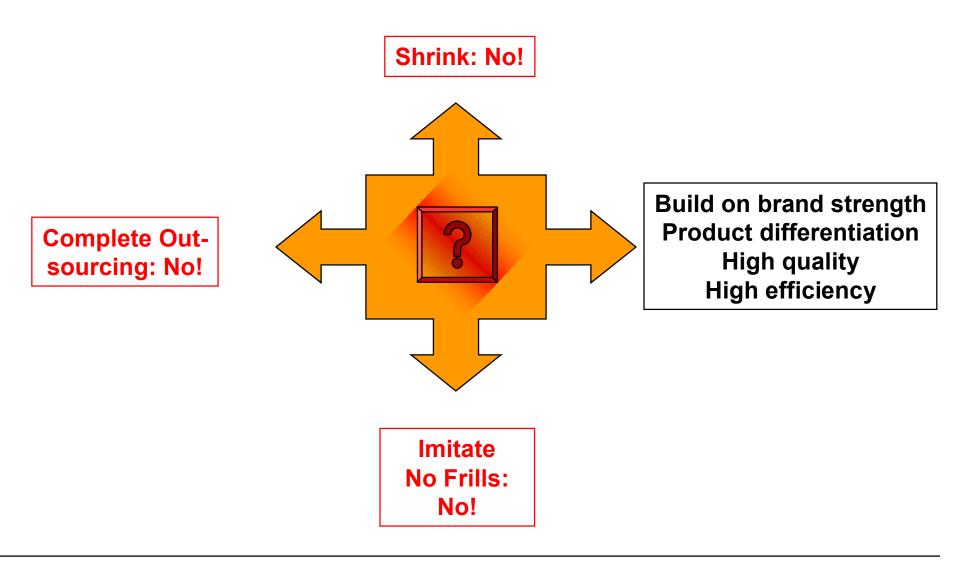
Avoid monopolistic structures

→ Learning organisation

Exploring markets by being responsive, fast, consistent

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Neither imitation of the No Frills nor complete outsourcing is a viable option for Network Carriers



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Customer preferences drives product and production strategy

Product Strategy Production Strat. Market **Customer preferences** Flexibility Flexible Ticket (Always Fleet sized adapted to business demand in peak times available), frequency Travellers Hub&Spoke Business **Global Network** Alliance/Partnerships 4 abreast in C-Class Comfort Differentiation between Business & Economy Class Priority Areas, Baggage processes Speed Priority Check-In, Fast Lane, **Priority Baggage Travellers** Depeaking FRA, Leisure Stability check Basic quality Punctuality, Reliability of the flight plan **Price worthiness** Capacity management by seat New Price concept makes us competitve in the market of price availability (instead of restrictions) sensitive customers, but with a **Lower Cost position** better product than No Frills (LH neccessary as a Premium-Carrier)



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Production strategy drives specific measures

Production strategy

- Fleet sized adapted to business demand in peak times
- Hub&Spoke
- 4 abreast in C-Class
- Priority Areas,Baggage processes
- Depeaking FRA, ✓ Stability check of the flight plan
- Capacity management by seat availability (instead of restrictions)
- Lower Cost position neccessary

Measures

- Single Type Fleet saves complexity costs (long term goal)
- Increased A/C-Productivity by 10% (Shorter MinGT, shorter block times, Using Night idle times)
- 4 abreast in Business Class, giving the chance to switch to Comfort Seats (with more comfort and 10% more seats)
- Expand Priority Check-in and Fast Lanes at security
- **Depeaking in FRA**, less Holding, shorter block times inbound FRA, improved punctuality, less costs and even improved connectivity!
- Simpler **Pricing structures**, improved **Miles&More concept**
- Minimum Crew, Simplified rotation plans
- Shorter Lead times for planning

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Network Airlines: How to become competitive on leisure-oriented routes?

- → Very low unit cost
 - Marginal cost approach valid for off-peak-operation?
 - Lean ground and onboard product?
- > Revised Revenue Management
 - Today: extract revenues out of "given" market volume
 - Pricing and Yield Management oriented towards market stimulation and high seat load factors
- Specific Marketing and Distribution
 - Dedicated marketing for leisure traffic routes
 - Promote cost-efficient distribution channels (e.g. internet, call center)
- **→** ...