



Enugu Air

Press Release

AFRAA Welcomes Enugu Air as a Member, Strengthening Nigeria's Domestic Aviation Growth

Nairobi, Kenya, 19 August 2026 — The African Airlines Association (AFRAA) has admitted Enugu Air as Member, extending the Association's membership base in Nigeria's fast-growing domestic aviation market and reaffirming AFRAA's commitment to supporting the continued development of African carriers across the continent.

Enugu Air has its headquarters in Enugu and operates from the Akanu Ibiam International Airport. The airline commenced commercial operations on 7 July 2025 with a fleet of Embraer E170/E190/E195 aircraft. Enugu Air currently serves six domestic destinations including Abuja, Lagos, Port Harcourt, and Benin City. As part of the airline's growth strategy, Enugu Air plans to expand further across Nigeria and, in subsequent phases, to launch regional and international routes across Africa, Europe, and beyond.

Speaking on the occasion, AFRAA Secretary General, Mr. Abdérahmane Berthé, stated: *"We are delighted to welcome Enugu Air into the AFRAA fraternity. As a state-backed carrier serving Nigeria's rapidly expanding domestic market, Enugu Air represents the kind of homegrown investment that is vital to building resilient air connectivity across our continent. We look forward to supporting the airline through the IOSA certification process and to its continued growth within the AFRAA membership, as we work together to advance the cause of unified African skies."*

Capt Tolu Ita stated: *"We are honored to join the AFRAA fraternity. This membership underscores Enugu Air's commitment to safe, reliable, and affordable air travel for Nigerians while contributing to the vision of a unified African aviation market. We look forward to collaborating with fellow AFRAA members and leveraging the Association's support as we grow our network and pursue IOSA certification."*

The admission of Enugu Air aligns with AFRAA's strategic priorities and strengthens the voice of the Association. Nigeria, as Africa's most populous nation and one of its fastest-growing economies, remains central to the realization of a truly integrated African aviation market.

Enugu Air becomes the 50th Member of the Association, joining the AFRAA airline fraternity, collectively representing more than 85% of total international traffic carried by African airlines.

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About AFRAA

The African Airlines Association (AFRAA) is the leading trade association of African airlines. Founded in Accra, Ghana, in April 1968, and headquartered in Nairobi, Kenya, AFRAA's mission is to promote, serve African Airlines and champion Africa's aviation industry. The Association envisions a sustainable, interconnected and affordable Air Transport industry in Africa where African Airlines become key players and drivers of African economic development. AFRAA membership cuts across the entire continent and includes all the major intercontinental African operators. The Association's members represent over 85% of total international traffic carried by African airlines. Follow us on: [Facebook](#), [LinkedIn](#), [X](#) and [YouTube](#).

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