

Lauda to start flying with 14 planes from Germany

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Niki Lauda will start his new airline Laudamotion, the former Air Berlin unit Niki, on March 25 with flights from Germany, the group said on Friday.

Lauda agreed a deal to buy Niki, a unit of collapsed Air Berlin, in January, beating a rival offer from British Airways-owner IAG.

It will start operating from Switzerland in April and from Austria in June, it said in a statement. The group will operate 14 Airbus planes and fly to holiday destinations such as Spain, Greece and Italy, Laudamotion said.

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