
Fraport and Volocopter are developing airport infrastructure and passenger processes for air taxi services

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Fraport AG and Volocopter GmbH are pioneering mobility of the future.

Together, they are developing concepts for ground infrastructure and operations required for air taxi services at airports. This cooperation focuses on smooth passenger handling and efficient integration into existing transport infrastructure. This will be examined using a so-called Volocopter Port.

In the future, Volocopter Ports could link existing urban transportation junctions with one another and provide connections to and from Frankfurt Airport (FRA).

Fraport is a globally active airport manager with many years of expertise in airport operations – particularly in ground infrastructure, ground handling, and terminal and passenger services. Fraport can also leverage its extensive experience in unmanned flying. Via its FraDrones program, Fraport has already tested various scenarios for using drones for operational purposes. Volocopter has already proven that its electrically-powered vertical take-off multicopters meet the requirements of Urban Aerial Mobility in various test flights, most notably in Dubai.

Based on drone technology, the Volocopter offers space for two people and is a suitable urban transport solution thanks to its quiet and zero-emissions flying. Frankfurt Airport, Germany's most important aviation hub with more than 69.5 million passengers last year, offers the ideal conditions for this innovative partnership.

Anke Giesen, Fraport AG's executive board member for operations (COO), explained: "Autonomous flying will fundamentally change aviation in the years to come. We want to be the first airport in Europe to harness the potential of electric air taxis in partnership with pioneer Volocopter – for the benefit of our passengers and the Frankfurt/Rhine-Main region. This partnership underscores Fraport AG's role as a key driver of innovation in diverse fields."

Florian Reuter, CEO of Volocopter GmbH, said: "Providing the ideal connection between the city center and the airport poses a huge challenge for the world's major

cities. Together with Fraport AG, we are excited to pioneer the implementation of an air taxi service at one of Europe's most important airports. We will be tapping into Fraport's wealth of experience to integrate the Volocopter Service safely and efficiently into the complex array of processes required at a major international airport."