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Meeting with Lufthansa representatives and DG Hololei - 25 May 2022

- Lufthansa stated that they were worried about the winter 2022/2023 scheduling season as COVID-19 would continue impacting air traffic.
- Lufthansa stressed that the existing global COVID-19 restrictions affect network carriers operating from hubs to a higher extent compared with LCCs
- Lufthansa stated that they had dropped some slots at MUC and FRA airport during the COVID-19 pandemic. Lufthansa stressed that they follow a balanced approach to slots and return those that they cannot use.
- Lufthansa was grateful for the role of the Commission and EUACA for ensuring a more uniform application of JNUS across all EU airports.
- Lufthansa fears that China will not re-open to air traffic for some months still. More positive news coming from Singapore, Indonesia, Malaysia and Thailand. Japan is expected to re-open in the summer 2022.
- Lufthansa fears that airport capacity crunch will continue into the winter 2022/2023 scheduling season. There is still some lack of personal across the entire aviation value chain.