BSPlink AIRLINE & GDS NEWS

Welcome to the July 2014 Newsletter!

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⚠️BSPlink Enhancement for ADM Policy Enhancement

URGENT UPDATE: As part of changes to Resolution 850m approved by PaConf, effective as from 1 June 2014, it has been announced that airlines were required to have a link, in BSPlink (ASD in China), to their respective ADM policies in order to continue to be able to issue ADMs in BSPlink as mandated tool for debit memo processing.

Following requests from multiple airlines and in agreement with PaConf Chairman, the systemized mandation in BSPLink requiring airlines to publish a URL link to their ADM policy website is being deferred to 31st December 2014.

🔴Developments for Release on Tuesday, 29th July 2014

Currency Conversion

Currently, the currency conversion functionality is checking the airline code from the transactions within the mass upload file and does not apply the conversion if the airline code of the transaction is not on the conversion set up table. Therefore, transactions from BSP agents to other airlines are not being converted.

As of July 29th, only the airline code from the mass upload file name will be controlled when applying currency conversion and if the airline code of the file name corresponds to an airline that has been configured for currency conversion, all the transactions within that file will be converted.

Future Development

DISH 22

Adapting the BSPlink application to the new version of the BSP Data Interchange Specifications Handbook (DISH), effective since last 1st January 2014. The new changes will include, among others, modifications to the HOT loading process, to the direct refund loading process ('ed' files), to the BSPlink RET file generation and to the Weblink system. All of them will be adapted to the new DISH revision accordingly.

"Nothing in the world can take the place of Persistence. Talent will not; nothing is more common than unsuccessful men with talent. Genius will not; unrewarded genius is almost a proverb. Education will not; the world is full of educated derelicts. Persistence and determination alone are omnipotent. The slogan 'Press On' has solved and always will solve the problems of the human race." [Calvin Coolidge]

vMPD Sunset Communication

The IATA e-Services project supports the travel and tourism industry in facilitating the sales and collection of ancillary services through all distribution channels – including travel agents and online airline sales - using IATA's electronic miscellaneous document (EMD) standard.

EMD will become the new industry standard to replace current vMCO/vMPD document for services such as charges for ancillary services, amendment fees and refunds. Please note that vMCO is no longer accepted in IATA BSP. vMPD deadline was extended in all BSPs until June 30th, 2014.

In addition, the following BSPs will continue to accept vMPD until October 31st, 2014:
- All BSPs in Latin America including Caribbean
- Malaysia, Singapore, Australia, Japan, Korea, Hong-Kong, Chinese Taipei, India, Sri Lanka
- Russia, Ukraine, Turkey, Italy
- Gulf Area

For meeting the industry deadline please work closely with your IT/GDS partner(s) as well as informing your travel agents on your latest EMD development. For more information regarding the industry progresses please visit:

http://www.iata.org/whatwedo/airline-distribution/e-services/Pages/index.aspx

For other enquires please log on to IATA Customer Portal: **http://www.iata.org/customer-portal/Pages/index.aspx**

GDS Corner

Upload GDS File

The agent code included in the files sent by GDS to update the TSP master table information in BSPlink will allow both 7 and 8 digit codes (including the check digit). It is important to mention that if 8 digit codes are used, the system will validate the check digit is correct. In case the check digit is not correct the master table will not be loaded.

> **IATA Customer Service:**
> http://www.iata.org/customer-portal/Pages/index.aspx