

BSPlink AIRLINE & GDS NEWS

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Developments for Release on Tuesday, 26th July 2016

Notification: RC4 Stream Cipher Deactivation (BSPlink sFTP Account Users)

RFC 4253 advises against using the RC4 (Arcfour) stream cipher due to an issue with weak keys. Consequently, in order to comply with the industry standards for encryption and certificates, on 1st September 2016, Accelya will be disabling the RC4 stream cipher from their sFTP server.

Future Development

Enhancements to TA Messaging from BSPlink

When Ticketing Authority is restored by IATA to its initial status, reinstatement messages will now include agent name in addition to IATA agent code.

When the airline removes Ticketing Authority from an agent, the email alert informing the airline will display the subject: "**Cancellation of Ticketing Authority by Airline**".

If the TA is removed by an IATA user, the subject will be: "Cancellation of Ticketing Authority by BSP".

Query BSPlink Agent Group Sales (AL)

In non-Maestro environments, the BSP*link* options 'Statistics/Billing - Sales Summary', 'Gross Sales - Non Comparatives & Comparatives', 'Net Sales - On-line Billing Statement & Estimated to be paid', will be enhanced to show the information corresponding to BSP*link* agent groups.

GDS

Future Development

Enhancements to TA Messaging from BSPlink

When TA is removed for an agent, the email alert informing the GDS will be modified as follows:

"Regarding <Agent Name> <Agent Code> the ticketing authority has been cancelled for the following Airlines, hence issue and refund are to be inhibited".

A new option called "**Ticketing Authority File Warnings**" will be added to the "**TICKETING AUTHORITY FILES REQUEST**" menu, through which the user can decide whether they want to receive a daily file with the TA warnings issued by the DPC, in the countries in which they operate.

They can choose the validation code they want to check and the number of days the error (same airline/same agent/same GDS) has to be repeated before being included in the daily file, as well as the time of the file generation, and whether the files should be sent locally (in each BSP) or as a zipped file in one specific BSP.

The name of the file will be: XX16GDS[User_ID]_YYYYMMDD_Daily_TA_warnings

"You can't have a good day with a bad attitude, and you can't have a bad day with a good attitude" [Anonymous]