BSP*link* AIRLINE & GDS NEWS

Welcome to the October 2014 Newsletter!

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⚠️ BSPlink Enhancement for ADM Policy Enhancement

<mark>URGENT UPDATE:</mark> 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 <mark>31st December 2014.</mark>

🆕 Developments for Release on Tuesday, 28th October 2014

Enhance Agent Group Query

BSPlink has been modified to include two new columns in the "Agent Groups Query" option: "Active" - which reflects the status of the group user, and "Number of members" –shows the total number of users within the group.

PNRR WEBlink Report

A 'csv' daily report containing transactions reported by carriers and accepted in Weblink will be generated for those airlines which have been previously configured via WEBLINK and for the agents with transactions for those airlines.

Phase II: Ticketing Authority Files XML

For those airlines configured to receive the "Global TA XML" files, two new options named "Global TA Request" and "XML Files" will be added to the "Files" menu in BSPlink where the user can request and receive an 'image' of the CIP table for that environment. The user will be able to download the file through the WEB application or SFTP account, or can request the information be included in the next scheduled XML file.

"He who has learned to disagree without being disagreeable has discovered the most valuable secret of a diplomat." [Robert Estrabrook]

Developments for Release on Tuesday, 25th November 2014

DISH 22

The BSPlink application will be modified to accept the new version of the Data Interchange Specifications Handbook, DISH22, which was published on 1st January 2014. The new changes will include, amongst others, modifications to the HOT loading process, the direct refund loading process ('ed' files) and the BSPlink RET file generation and to the Weblink system.

DISH 22 will not affect ADM/ACM mass upload files, so there will be no change in the REVN field in the IT01 record.

Additional Message on Disputed ADMs

The option 'BSPlink Transaction Comments' from the Email Alert Maintenance, which is only available for Enhanced users, will be made available to all users through a new, separate option.

vMPD Sunset Communication

The IATA e-Services project supports the airline travel industry by helping to increase airline revenue by selling more services through more channels: combination of traditional channels (GDS/Travel Agents) and new channels (Web/Mobile phone). In addition, airlines will be able to track and attribute revenue faster/more accurately with less effort for back office processing.

Starting 1st November 2014 (00:00 local time) vMPD will no longer be accepted in BSPLink. All miscellaneous transactions will be replaced by EMD in IATA BSP worldwide.
For more information regarding the industry progress please visit:
http://www.iata.org/whatwedo/airline-distribution/e-services/Pages/index.aspx

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http://www.iata.org/customer-portal/Pages/index.aspx

new GDS Corner

Phase II: Ticketing Authority Files XML

1. BSPlink will generate globally-consolidated ticketing authority files in XML format which will be delivered to the GDSs automatically, every 2 hours.

2. A new option "Global TA Request" will be added to the GDS user menu in BSPlink (under "Files") where the user can download an 'image' of the CIP table, for their related agents, in that country. The user will also be able to request the information to be included in the next scheduled file or generate a snapshot with the image information to be downloaded through GDS Global SFTP Account.

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