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Flybe to Operate Bombardier Q400s from Helsinki on Behalf of Finnair

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British carrier Flybe is to base three of its Bombardier Q400 aircraft at Helsinki from the end of October and operate them on Finnish domestic and trans-Baltic routes on behalf of Finnair.

[Finnair](#) says the move, which involves the two airlines signing a cooperation agreement, is aimed at strengthening Finnair's domestic feed-traffic network. Flybe claims to be Europe's largest regional airline.

Routes covered by the agreement include, among others, Finnair's services from Helsinki to Tampere, Turku and Tallinn.

“We aim to strengthen our feeder operation on routes important for Finnair during the coming winter traffic season,” says Ville Iho, Finnair's senior vice president for resources management. “Flybe is a respected UK operator with a modern fleet. Moreover, there will be Finnish cabin crews on all of the flights.”