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**Local flavours and international favourites at new Pafos terminal**

SSP's new cafes and restaurants at Pafos international's new terminal are offering greater choice to passengers in Cyprus.

George Antoniou, Managing Director of SSP's Eastern Europe and Middle East division said the opening of the new facilities was a landmark event. 'The new Pafos International Airport is the most important development in the Cyprus travel sector since 1974. This expansion in our business will put us firmly on track to success with an even more ambitious new project at Larnaka next year. The two new airports will raise the profile of Cyprus as an important air hub for the whole region.'

SSP has introduced a different conceptual approach to that applied in the existing terminal at Pafos. The outlets are managed by SSP and operated by Cyprus Airports Food and Beverage Company, a joint venture between SSP, Louis and CTC-ARI. They include combined free-flow units, a food village featuring well-known international brands such as Sbarro, Upper Crust, as well as a fish and chip concept. The Mosaic café, with its Mediterranean themes, has been tailor made for the airport and draws on the heritage and style of Pafos and Cyprus. There is also a Caffè Ritazza. Beer Garden provides an outdoor space in the airside area, which was incorporated into the offer on advice to the airport from SSP. 'A beer garden outside in the departures area will help passengers to prolong their enjoyment of Cyprus' great climate,' said Antoniou. 'This is another first for us in Cyprus.'

In the landside area, is a Costa Coffee to appeal to arriving and departing passengers as well as airport visitors. Another concept to cater for the needs of 'meeters and greeters' is the Kafenion, introduced close to the car park and transport parking areas. The Premium Lounge, also managed by SSP, will provide VIP lounge services.

George Antoniou said that much of the success of the development could be attributed to General Manager Frederick Podonowski, who played the key role in this development, and his team.

‘This venture has been a great partnership between the shareholders of Cyprus Airports F&B Company,’ continues Antoniou. ‘In addition to mobilizing this new business, our attention now turns to Larnaka Airport, which represents an exciting opportunity for us at SSP. We’ll again be calling upon our expertise in food and travel to create something highly innovative and perfectly suited for this important location.’

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Editor’s notes:

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