

In photos: PAX announces 2026 Readership Awards winners

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HAMBURG, GERMANY—Last night, *PAX International* and *PAX Tech* hosted its annual PAX Readership Awards at the Radisson Blu Hotel in Hamburg, Germany.

Attendees gathered in the hotel's Sydney Room for the celebration, recognizing the best of the industry, voted on by *PAX International* and *PAX Tech*'s loyal readership of more than 15,500 industry professionals. This year, *PAX* received 240 nominations and more than 5,500 votes. The winners of the 2026 awards were selected entirely by the readership, with the exception of the first ever PAX Verified Award, selected by *PAX* Publisher Aijaz Khan. All winners were announced and celebrated at the gathering among industry peers and colleagues.



Industry leaders and nominees were welcomed by Khan, followed by an award presentation by Managing Editor Jane Hobson, Business Editor Robynne Trueman and Senior Editor Alex Preston.

"The PAX Readership Awards are an excellent platform to acknowledge the dedication and innovation driving the industry forward," says Aijaz Khan, Publisher of *PAX International* and *PAX Tech*. "From catering and technology to onboard amenities, these awards highlight the progress that elevates the passenger experience. A huge thank you to our loyal readers for their participation and support. It was a pleasure celebrating together in Hamburg!"



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The 2026 PAX Readership Award Winners are:

2026 Airline Award Winners

NORTH AMERICA

Outstanding Food Service by a Carrier: [Delta Air Lines](#)

Airline Caterer of the Year: [Flying Food Group](#)

Best Overall Passenger Experience: [United Airlines](#)

Best IFE and Connectivity: [Delta Air Lines](#) x [Hughes Fusion](#)

Best Airport Lounge: [Air France Lounge](#) at ORD

SOUTH AMERICA

Outstanding Food Service by a Carrier: [LATAM Airlines](#)

Airline Caterer of the Year: [LSG Sky Chefs](#)

Best Overall Passenger Experience: [LATAM Airlines](#)

Best Cabin Interior: [LATAM Airlines](#)

Best Seating: [Avianca INSIGNIA](#)

Best IFE and Connectivity: [LATAM Play](#)

Best Airport Lounge: [LATAM Lounge Lima](#)

CHINA

Outstanding Food Service by a Carrier: [China Southern](#)

ASIA

Outstanding Food Service by a Carrier: [Singapore Airlines](#)

Airline Caterer of the Year: [Cathay Dining](#)

Best Overall Passenger Experience: [Korean Air](#)

Best Cabin Interior: [Korean Air](#)

Best IFE and Connectivity: [Singapore Airlines](#)

Best Airport Lounge: [SASCO](#) for Rose Lounge VietNam

SOUTH ASIA

Airline Caterer of the Year: [KC Flight Catering](#)

Best Overall Passenger Experience: [SriLankan Airlines](#)

Best IFE and Connectivity: [Air India](#) Vista Stream

Most Improved Airline: [SriLankan Airlines](#)

SOUTHEAST ASIA

Airline Caterer of the Year: [SATS Ltd.](#)

Best Overall Passenger Experience: [THAI Airways](#)

CENTRAL ASIA COUNTRIES

Outstanding Food Service by a Carrier: [Air Astana](#)

Best Overall Passenger Experience: [Air Astana](#)

Best IFE and Connectivity: [Azerbaijan Airlines](#)

MIDDLE EAST

Outstanding Food Service by a Carrier: [Qatar Airways](#)

Airline Caterer of the Year: [Capital Catering](#)

Best Overall Passenger Experience: [Qatar Airways](#)

Best Cabin Interior: [Qatar Airways](#)

Best IFE and Connectivity: [Saudia](#) x [FlightPath3D Experience](#)

Best Airport Lounge: [Emirates](#) First Class Lounge at DXB

EUROPE

Outstanding Food Service by a Carrier: [Turkish Airlines](#)

Airline Caterer of The Year: [GIC International Catering](#)

Best Overall Passenger Experience: [Turkish Airlines](#)

Best Cabin Interior: [Iberia](#)

Best IFE and Connectivity: [Air France](#), Partnership with Canal+

Best Airport Lounge: [Plaza Premium Lounge](#) at FCO

AUSTRALASIA

Airline Caterer of the Year: [dnata Catering & Retail](#)

Best Overall Passenger Experience: [Qantas](#)

Best IFE and Connectivity: [Qantas](#)

AFRICA

Outstanding Food Service by a Carrier: [Ethiopian Airlines Group](#)

Airline Caterer of the Year: [servair](#)

Best Overall Passenger Experience: [Ethiopian Airlines](#)

Best IFE and Connectivity: [Royal Air Maroc](#)

Best Airport Lounge: [Royal Air Maroc Zenith Lounge at CMN](#)

PAX Verified Award Winner

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2026 International Awards Winners

Best Duty Free Airport Shop: [Qatar Duty Free](#)

Best Airport Experience: [Singapore Changi Airport](#)

Best Solutions Company: [AMI Group](#)

Best Onboard Retail: [gateretail](#)

Best Inflight Snacks: [En Route International](#) Cheese Program

Best Inflight Beverage: [Kobrand Fine Wine & Spirits](#) for Delta One, Taittinger Brut La Francaise Champagne

Best Distributor: [WESSCO International](#)

Best Onboard Product: [WESSCO](#) for [United Airlines](#) Premium Dinnerware

2026 Amenities Awards Winners

NORTH AMERICA

Best Business Class Amenity Kit: [FORMIA](#) for [Aeromexico](#), Lancel Business Class Amenity Kit

Best Economy/Premium Economy Amenity Kit: [WESSCO](#) for [United Airlines](#), Therabody Premium Plus Amenity Kit

Best Business Class Bedding/Soft Products: [Linstol](#) for [United Airlines](#), Inaugural Pajamas

SOUTH AMERICA

Best Business Class Amenity Kit: [WESSCO](#) for [LATAM](#), Altitude Collection Business Class Amenity Kit

EUROPE

Best First Class Amenity Kit: [Clip](#) for [SWISS](#), Zimmerli First Class Amenity Kit

Best Business Class Amenity Kit: [Buzz](#) for [Turkish Airlines](#), Lanvin Parfums Business Class Amenity Kit

Best Economy/Premium Economy Class Amenity Kit: [Bayart Innovations](#) for [Turkish Airlines](#), Lacoste Premium Economy Amenity Kit

Best Children's Amenity Kit: [Skysupply](#) for [SWISS](#), First and Business Class Kids Amenity Kit

Best First Class Bedding/Soft Products: [Buzz](#) for [Air France](#), "Le Pyjama" by Jacquemus, La Premiere Suites

AUSTRALASIA

Best First Class Amenity Kit: [Watermark](#) for [Qantas](#), Aesop First Class Amenity Kit

MIDDLE EAST

Best First Class Amenity Kit: [FORMIA](#) for [Qatar Airways](#), Diptyque Amenity Kit

Best Economy/Premium Economy Class Amenity Kit: [Kaelis](#) for [Qatar Airways](#), Hajj Amenity Kit

Best Children's Amenity Kit: [Buzz](#) for [Saudia](#), Minions Amenity Kit

Best Business Class Bedding/Soft Products: [John Horsfall](#) for [Riyadh Air](#), Business Elite and Business Class Bedding Set

Best Economy/Premium Economy Class Bedding/Soft Products: [John Horsfall](#) for [Riyadh Air](#), Economy and Premium Economy Bedding Set

ASIA

Best First Class Amenity Kit: [FORMIA](#) for [Korean Air](#), House of Graff First Class Amenity Kit

Best Business Class Amenity Kit: [deSter](#) for [All Nippon Airways](#)

Best Economy/Premium Economy Class Amenity Kit: [WESSCO](#) for [STARLUX Airlines](#), Smiley Amenity Kits

Best Children's Amenity Kit: [Kaelis](#) for [EVA Air](#), Berry the Bear Kids Amenity Kit

Best First Class Bedding/Soft Products: [FORMIA](#) for [EVA Air](#), Maison Kitsuné First Class Sleeper Suit

Best Business Class Bedding/Soft Products: [Korean Air](#) x Frette Prestige Bedding Set

Best Economy/Premium Economy Class Bedding/Soft Products: [deSter](#) for [STARLUX](#), Economy Class Blanket

SOUTH ASIA

Best First Class Bedding/Soft Products: [T&D Hospitality India](#) for [Air India](#), First Class Blanket/Cushion/Pillow

Best Business Class Bedding/Soft Products: [T&D Hospitality India](#) for [IndiGo](#), Business Class Bedding Set

SOUTHEAST ASIA

Best Economy/Premium Economy Class Amenity Kit: [WESSCO](#) for [Singapore Airlines](#), Out of the Woods Amenity Kits

CENTRAL ASIA COUNTRIES

Best Business Class Amenity Kit: [FORMIA](#) for [Air Astana](#), Moschino Business Class Amenity Kit

Best Economy/Premium Economy Class Amenity Kit: [Watermark](#) for [Air Astana](#), Art Above Clouds Collection

Best Children's Amenity Kit: [Bayart Innovations](#) for [Air Astana](#), Baby Kits

Best Business Class Bedding/Soft Products: [My Drap](#) for [Air Astana](#), Seasonal Single Use 100% Cotton Table Linen Collection

AFRICA

Best Children's Amenity Kit: [Zibo Rainbow](#) for [Ethiopian Airlines](#)

Technology Awards Winners

Best IFE by a Content Service Provider: [Stellar Entertainment](#) for The Stellar IFE Portal

Best IFE System: [Bluebox Aviation Systems](#) for Blueview

Best IFC by a Provider: [Viasat](#) for Viasat Amara

Best Headset/Audio Connectivity Product: [Linstol](#) Meridian 260 Headset for [United Airlines](#)

Best Seating by a Supplier: [Geven](#) for Essenza SE

Best Cabin Lighting Concept: [STG Aerospace](#) for Eco Everything

Best Retail Technology Solution: [Omnevo](#) for Travel Retail Suite

Congratulations to all winners!