

## Press Release

### National Car Rental and Amadeus first to provide e-vouchers for car rental reservations worldwide

**Madrid, Spain, 8 January, 2007:** Amadeus, a global leader in technology and distribution solutions for the travel and tourism industry, today announced that it is the first in the market place to provide e-vouchers for car rental reservations worldwide. Amadeus has signed a global partnership with National Car Rental, which will offer travel agents the possibility of providing e-vouchers for car rental reservations booked through Amadeus and National on a worldwide basis. Previously, the Amadeus e-voucher solution was available only on a country-by-country basis with specific car rental companies. Amadeus first launched the Cars e-Voucher solution in 2004.

National Car Rental is one of the largest car rental companies in the world, serving the most popular US and international travel destinations by providing quality vehicles and service to business, and leisure customers. Jerry Dow, Chief Marketing Officer, National Car Rental states, "Today marks an important agreement with Amadeus. With the eVoucher for Cars solution, we demonstrate our commitment to making the booking process for all travellers much faster and easier."

Amadeus' Car e-Voucher solution simplifies and increases the ease of the car reservation process thanks to the following aspects:

- Saves time and money instead of printing or manually writing a paper voucher. E-Voucher offers a paperless solution which is equivalent to the airline e-ticket and helps the environment by using up less paper.
- Issues a reliable value document so that the customer no longer needs to bring a proof of reservation to the car rental counter, since the counter will have been notified with an e-voucher number sent by the car rental company.

Hannamari Fleming, Travel Consultant, Kaleva Travel Helsinki stated: "Amadeus Cars e-Voucher is great for us and very practical. There is no longer any need for us to send vouchers via mail or courier. This is especially important for our busy travellers from corporations with same day departures. Furthermore, Amadeus Cars e-Voucher works perfectly for any destination."

“This key agreement with one of the major car rental companies in the world highlights Amadeus’ continuous commitment to be at the forefront of innovation for the travel industry, saving time and money for all involved,” said Albert Pozo, Managing Director, Travel Services & Leisure. “The environment is also an important issue for us: the reduction of paper usage due to the use of electronic vouchers clearly emphasises our commitment to this cause.”

Amadeus Cars offers more than 27 car rental companies in over 35,000 locations in more than 217 markets worldwide. It provides real-time information due to seamless connections to the car rental companies’ database.

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#### **Notes to the editors:**

##### **Amadeus**

Amadeus is the chosen technology partner for providers, sellers, and buyers of travel. The company provides distribution, IT and point-of-sale solutions to help its customers adapt, grow and succeed in the fast changing travel industry. Customer groups include travel providers (airlines, hotels, car rental companies, railway companies, ferry lines, cruise lines, insurance companies and tour operators), travel sellers (travel agencies) and travel buyers (corporations and travellers). Solutions are grouped in four solution categories – Distribution & Content, Sales & e-Commerce, Business Management and Services & Consultancy.

Amadeus has central sites in Madrid (corporate headquarters & marketing), Nice (development) and Erding (Operations – data processing centre) and regional offices in Miami, Buenos Aires and Bangkok. At market level, Amadeus maintains customer operations in 75 countries covering more than 217 markets. The company has over 6,700 employees worldwide, representing 95 nationalities. More information about Amadeus is available at: [www.amadeus.com](http://www.amadeus.com).

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