



BOLOGNA AIRPORT: UPDATE ON RUNWAY MAINTENANCE WORKS PLANNED FOR SEPTEMBER 2020

The Covid-19 pandemic currently underway made it necessary to carefully reconsider the methods of carrying out a series of airside works already planned from 16th to 21st September 2020.

In particular, Bologna Airport reconsidered the feasibility and the timing of these works due to the changed needs, which intervened in the meantime, in terms of safety on construction sites, distancing of the staff who work there and compliance with the new regulations relating to Covid-19.

In order to be able to carry out the work in compliance with the new regulations, but with the aim of reducing the inconvenience to passengers as much as possible when it is assumed that the air traffic will be operated again regularly, the company, as already communicated to the Airport Users' Committee, decided that the start of these works will be anticipated to 11th September (at 06.00 local time) with a deadline set for 21st September (at 02.00 local time).

This extension in September 2020 will allow works to merge into them the already planned activities that would have required again the runway closure in 2022, a closure that consequently will no longer be carried out.

No landing or take-off will be allowed during this period and Airlines, already informed, will choose whether cancelling their operations or moving them to alternate airports.

We apologize for this disruption which is however necessary to constantly improve the airport infrastructure. For details on specific flights, refund or rerouting claims, passengers can refer directly to their Airlines.

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***Bologna Guglielmo Marconi Airport**, classified as a "strategic airport" in the centre-north area of the National Airports Plan prepared by the Ministry of Infrastructure and Transport, in 2019 was the seventh biggest Italian airport by passenger numbers, with 9.4 million passengers (Source: Assaeroporti). Located in the heart of the Emilian food valley and the automotive and packaging industrial districts, the airport has a catchment area of about 11 million inhabitants and around 47,000 companies, with a strong propensity to exports and internationalisation and with commercial expansion policies to Eastern Europe and Asia.*

The presence at the airport of some of the largest airlines in Europe along with some of the leading low-cost carriers and the close link with European continental hubs make Bologna Italy's fourth airport for global connectivity (Source: ICCSAI - Fact Book 2019).

As for airport infrastructure, the airport has among its strategic objectives in the next few years an important development plan that mainly concerns the expansion of the terminal, particularly in the parts of security checks and gate area. The company's aim is to make Bologna Airport one of the most modern and functional in Italy, an important gateway to the city and region.

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