



BOLOGNA AIRPORT: OVER 800 THOUSAND PASSENGERS IN SEPTEMBER (+6.5%)
More than 6 million 300 thousand passengers since the beginning of the year

Third consecutive month over 800 thousand passengers for Bologna Airport. After July's record (nearly 840 thousand passengers) and August's excellent performance (almost 830 thousand), **Bologna Airport recorded 803,866 passengers in September**, with a growth of 6.5% vs September 2016.

In detail, **international passengers were 623,397 and domestic traffic 180,469. Flight movements (6,343)** registered an increase of 2.9% on September 2016, and air cargo delivered excellent results with an increase of **24.7% (3,828 tons)**.

September's three most popular destinations were: **Frankfurt, Catania and Barcelona**, followed by Paris Charles De Gaulle, London Heathrow, Madrid, Palermo, Munich and Bucharest. September's most outstanding growths were delivered by Frankfurt (+19.5%), Munich (+12.25%) and London LHR (+10.13%), sound results also driven by increased frequencies.

In the period January-September, passenger traffic nearly reached 6.3 million (6,293,344), increasing by 6.7%. Flight movements were 51,268 (+ 2.6%) and air cargo grew by 14.1% (31,083 tons).

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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, is now the seventh biggest Italian airport by passenger numbers, with more than 7.5 million passengers in 2016, of which 75% on international flights (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.*

In 2016 103 destinations were served from Bologna: 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 International hubs make Bologna Italy's fourth airport for global connectivity (Source: ICCSAI - Fact Book 2016) and the first in Europe in terms of growth of connectivity in the decade from 2004 to 2014 (Source: ACI Europe Airport Connectivity Report 2004-2014).

As for airport infrastructure, the airport has recently completed a major upgrade and expansion of the passenger terminal, while the capacity of aeronautical infrastructure is deemed adequate to accommodate the expected growth over the coming years. 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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