



BOLOGNA AIRPORT, PASSENGER TRAFFIC INCREASED BY 9.9% IN AUGUST

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Bologna Airport keeps on growing: in August passengers reached **774,286**, a **9.9% increase** compared to August 2015 confirming the previous months' positive trend.

Traffic growth was mainly driven by **domestic passengers**, with a significant **increase of 14.6% (reaching 182,726 passengers)**. **International flights** performed very well, too, **with a growth of 8.5%, reaching 591,560 passengers**.

Monday 22nd was the busiest day of the year with **28,171 passengers** (on arrival and departure): this is the new single-day record in the Airport's history.

Among the **most popular destinations**, the three **London** airports rank on top followed by **Catania** and **Paris** airports. The other best loved destinations are Barcelona, Frankfurt, Palermo, Casablanca, Bucharest, Madrid and Cagliari. Passenger traffic to Moscow and Copenhagen recorded good figures, as well, and Dubai confirmed its growing trend.

Flight movements were **6,231 in August, with an increase of 11.2% versus 2015** and air cargo traffic performed well too **(+25.5%, 2,089 tons)**.

In the first eight months of the year, traffic reached **5,141,688**, with a growth of 12.6% as compared to 2015. Flight movements were **43,814 (+9.9%)**, and air cargo reached 24,173 tons (+24.5%).

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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 about 7 million passengers in 2015, of which 75% are 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 2015 102 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 European continental hubs make Bologna Italy's fifth airport in for global connectivity (Source: ICCSAI - Fact Book 2015) 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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