



## **BOLOGNA AIRPORT: 7 MILLION PASSENGER RECORD IN NOVEMBER** **12.1% yearly increase and 6.7% monthly increase**

Bologna Airport (AdB) continues its solid growth: in November, traffic reached **552,824** passengers, a **6.7%** increase on November 2015. In the first 11 months of 2016, passenger growth increased by **12.1%** reaching **7,124,502 passengers**.

On 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2016, for the first time in the Airport's history, traffic surpassed the threshold of 7 million passengers.

November's growth was driven by **international passengers**, AdB's largest share of traffic, with an increase of **7.8% (411,910)**, but **domestic flights** performed well too, reaching **140.914 passengers (+3.5%)**.

**Catania, Madrid and Palermo** were the **three most popular destinations in November**. Among the fast-growing destinations, Dubai, Moscow and Frankfurt performed very well, too.

In November, **flight movements were 4,923, increasing by 4.0% compared to the same month in 2015**. **Air Cargo traffic** performed also well (**+26.1%**), reaching **3,504 tons**.

From January to November, flight movements were **60,646 (+9.6%)**, and air cargo reached 34,144 tons (+22.3%).

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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 nearly 7 million passengers in 2015, 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 10.7 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 fourth airport in 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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