



BOLOGNA AIRPORT: OVER 800 THOUSAND PASSENGERS IN OCTOBER **Nearly 8 million passengers in the first ten months of 2019 (+11%)**

October was on the rise for Bologna Airport and for the first time it recorded over 800 thousand passengers. **Traffic delivered an increase of 8.1%** on the same month in 2018 with **807,552 passengers**.

The growth trend registered in the previous months is therefore confirmed and has also led to a **positive contribution on the territory economic value and employment levels**.

In detail, **international passengers were 646,773 (+11.1%)** and domestic passengers were **160,779**, a decrease of 2.5% on October 2018.

Flight movements (6,232) were up **3.8%** and **air cargo traffic** registered a slowdown of 14.8% on 2018, for a total of **3,385 tons**.

October's three most popular destinations were: **Barcelona**, with over 33 thousand passengers, **Catania** (over 33 thousand passengers) and **Madrid** (25 thousand passengers), followed by London Heathrow, Frankfurt, Paris CDG, Rome Fiumicino, London Stansted, Palermo and Amsterdam.

In the first ten months of 2019, Bologna Airport's passenger traffic almost reached 8 million (7,976,208), delivering a yearly growth of 11%. Flight movements (61,716) were on the rise as well (+8.7%) and air cargo decreased by 5.6% (31,709 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, in 2018 was the eighth biggest Italian airport by passenger numbers, with 8.5 million passengers, of which 76,8% 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 2018 114 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 forth airport in for global connectivity (Source: ICCSAI - Fact Book 2017) 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 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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