

## PRESS RELEASE

## AEROPORTO GUGLIELMO MARCONI DI BOLOGNA S.p.A.: resignation of an Independent Board member

Bologna, 4 September 2017 – The Board of Directors of Aeroporto Guglielmo Marconi di Bologna S.p.A. took note of the resignation of the Independent Board member Gabriele Del Torchio, announced today and with immediate effect. Gabriele Del Torchio was also member of the Compensation Committee.

The Chairman and the Chief Executive Officer, also on behalf of the entire Board of Directors, express their sincere thanks to Gabriele Del Torchio for his contribution, particularly marked by professionalism and independence.

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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 7.5 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 European continental hubs make Bologna Italy's forth 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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