

BOLOGNA AIRPORT, PASSENGER GROWTH OF 13.9% IN JANUARY Movements on the increase too: +10.2%

Bologna Airport starts 2016 in high gear: in January, passengers increased by 13.9% compared to 2015, for the first time exceeding half a million (509,972) during the first month of the year.

Growth was driven mainly by international traffic (+17.6%, 381,184 passengers), but domestic passengers reported a positive trend, too (+4.3%, 128,788).

January was **the ninth month in a row of continuous passenger growth** at Bologna Airport. Moreover, the increase registered **at the beginning of 2016 fully confirms the trend established at the end of 2015** (+13.1 in December).

January's good results are due to the higher number of frequencies on some recently developed routes (Berlin, Bucharest, Cagliari, Chisinau, Copenhagen, Istanbul and Moscow) as well as to the increased number of passengers on more traditional destinations such as Amsterdam, Barcelona and Madrid. **The excellent start of the new daily flight to Dubai** is also to be pointed out, bringing the destination among the "top ten" served from Bologna Airport.

Flight movements reached 4,662, with a healthy growth of 10.2% versus January 2015, while air cargo traffic increased by a significant 20% to 2,546 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 about 6.6 million passengers in 2014, of which over 70% 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 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 2014 99 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 2014) 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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