

BOLOGNA AIRPORT, ALMOST ONE MILLION PASSENGERS IN SEPTEMBER *It is the third best month in the history of Marconi*

999,486 passengers: September narrowly misses the round figure of one million, but still represents a record month for Bologna Airport, the third busiest in the history of the airport. The monthly figure marks **an increase of 11.8% on September 2019 (pre-Covid) and of 9.8% on September 2022.**

In detail, **passengers on domestic flights are especially growing (252,082, +43.4% on September 2019 and +11.2% on August 2022), but passengers on international flights are also performing positively (747,404, +4.1 on 2019 and +9.4% on 2022).**

Movements also grew, reaching 7,091 (+5.8% on the same month of 2019 and +6.3% on 2022), while freight were 3,394 tons (+14.1% on 2019 and -21.0% on 2022).

The favorite destinations in September were: Catania, Barcelona, Palermo, Tirana, Brindisi, Madrid, Frankfurt, Istanbul, Paris De Gaulle and Cagliari.

In the first nine months of 2023, total passengers were 7,708,990, with an increase of 7.5% on the same period of 2019 and of 18.8% on the same period of 2022.

The number of movements in the January-September period was 56,356 flights in total, up 5.8% compared to 2019 and 6.3% compared to 2022.

Freight transported by air in the first nine months of the year amounted to 30,479 tons: +7.6% on 2019 and -2.8% on 2022.

Bologna, 5th October 2023

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Aeroporto Guglielmo Marconi di Bologna, classified as a "strategic airport" in the centre-north area of the National Airports Plan prepared by the Ministry of Infrastructure and Transport, recorded in 2022 8.5 million passengers, ranking as the seventh biggest Italian airport by number of passengers (Source: Assaeroporti – Aeroporti2030). 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.

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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