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AEROPORTO GUGLIELMO MARCONI DI BOLOGNA S.p.A.: the Board of Directors approves the new Investment Plan 2019-2023

Bologna, 21 February 2019 – With the aim of pursuing a sustainable development and a progressive improvement of the infrastructural system and to adequately meet the forecasted traffic growth, the Board of Directors of Aeroporto G. Marconi di Bologna S.p.A. approved today an update and an extension of the Investment Plan for the years 2019-2023.

Taking into account the intermediate design stages that are in progress, the new Investment Plan foresees a total capital expenditure in line with the values already disclosed last year and includes, among the key projects, the terminal expansion and the realisation of a multilevel parking.

The approved five-year investment Plan is part of a wider Airport Development Plan (Master Plan), progressively updated on the base of the current design activities and declared not liable to the environmental impact assessment in 2018. Furthermore, the Master Plan will be under scrutiny for urban conformity assessment in the next months.

The new investments dedicated to the airport infrastructures will be included in the regulated charges mechanism currently in place in the Italian airport sector.

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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 eighth biggest Italian airport by passenger numbers, with more than 8.5 million passengers in 2018, of which 77% 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 export and internationalization 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 International hubs make Bologna Italy's fourth airport for global connectivity (Source: ICCSAI - Fact Book 2017).

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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