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MILAN BERGAMO AIRPORT: + 4.9% in 2018 CLOSE TO 13 MILLION PASSENGERS

Milan Bergamo Airport comes third place in national airport rankings, having served approximately 13 million passengers in 2018. The definitive numbers from 2018 confirm a 4.9% increase in passenger traffic from the previous year. In total, 12 million 938 thousand 572 passengers passed through the airport.

This positive trend has been progressing since 2002 and is sustained by the connection flights offered by airlines at the Bergamo airport as well as the number of occupied seats on board the planes (the load factor), which averages amongst the highest of all national airports.

As well as the increase in scheduled flights, which have recorded an average increase of 50 thousand passengers a month in 2018, there has been a significant upturn in the charter segment with about 10% more users, concentrated not only in the summer months but also in December.

The positive trend recorded in the first half of January 2019 suggests that we will exceed 13 million passengers by the end of the year.

As regards freight, Milan Bergamo Airport maintains its strategic importance in terms of its courier activity, continuously transporting over 120 thousand tonnes a year (122,971 in the final balance), with a (+4%) increase in freight coming from and going to Bergamo.

Meanwhile, SACBO, the company that manages Milan Bergamo Airport, has launched the first phase of expansion works in the airport which, in course of two years, will increase the total floor area to 70 thousand m². The non-Schengen area will be upgraded and will have double the number of gates and a dedicated route for passengers passing through the airport. Three boarding towers and six new gates in the Schengen area will be added, and the BHS area will be upgraded for the control of inbound luggage using the new, most advanced Standard 3 X-ray machines.

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