



Press Release

## NEW DESTINATION FOR BLUE PANORAMA AIRLINES

**Flying weekly from Milan Bergamo to Sal in the  
Cape Verde archipelago.**

*Milan, March 2018* - From 16th May 2018, Blue Panorama Airlines launches its direct connection from Milan Bergamo Orio al Serio to the Amílcar Cabral airport in Sal, Cape Verde, in collaboration with CaboVerdeTime. The service will operate every week: each Wednesday from 16th May to 12th September 2018 every Wednesday, and each Saturday from 22nd September 2018. The service will use a Boeing 737-800 Next Generation, with a 189-seat capacity.

“With this new connection and the forthcoming introduction of the fifth Boeing 737-800 Next Generation, Blue Airlines Panorama continues to widen its network of leisure destinations and increases its services from Milan Bergamo airport, one of our operating bases”, said **Remo Della Porta of Blue Panorama Airlines**. “The flight timetable will allow passengers to comfortably reach Milan Bergamo airport, using all possible connections, widening our catchment area”.

“We are very happy to collaborate with an Italian carrier like Blue Panorama departing from an airport as important to us as Milan Bergamo. The last two seasons have seen us record very positive results and Summer 2018 will see us introduce new offers like the 4-star Hotel Sobrado, owned by our group and located in Sal, near the centre of Santa Maria, ideal for people wanting to experience the island as a whole and not just its beach setting. Also, thanks to our partnership with Blue Panorama, we continue to improve our excellent performance to this point, further developing what Cape Verde has to offer adapted to the needs of our market” **Michele Rongoni, CaboVerdeTime's Commercial Director, said.**

“We are happy to extend our collaboration with Blue Panorama Airlines with this connection to Cape Verde, one of the destinations traditionally served by Milan Bergamo Airport, which has a rather wide catchment area “, said Giacomo Cattaneo , **SACBO's Aviation Director**, “The continuity guaranteed by the airline taking over this route allows the tour operator, CaboVerdeTime, to consolidate its presence at Bergamo airport”.

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**Blue Panorama Airlines** is an entirely Italian airline that offers long-, medium- and short-haul commercial and charter flights to over 50 destinations on 4 continents (Africa, America, Asia and Europe). One of Italy's biggest airlines, Blue Panorama Airlines was founded in Rome in 1998. An IATA member since 2002, it is based at Rome's Fiumicino airport and has operational and commercial centres at Milan Malpensa, Bergamo, Bologna and Tirana (Albania). The company, an important domestic carrier due to its numerous and renowned tourist destinations, has a fleet of 11 planes (three Boeing 767s and eight Boeing 737s). During 2017, Blue Panorama Airlines served 54 destinations, including 16 inter-continental destinations. In 2017, it transported 1.5 million passengers, employing more than 500 people, of whom more than 2/3 are flight personnel. In 2018, six new destinations will come into service: five new ones in China – Hangzhou, Nanchang, Shenyang, Taiyuan and Xi'an – and Cape Verde in Africa.

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