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## **CERTIFICATION FOR QUALITY WORK EXPERIENCE FOR SCHOOLS SACBO RECEIVES RECOGNITION FROM CONFINDUSTRIA BERGAMO**

S.A.C.B.O. has received certification from Confindustria Bergamo for quality work experience, a form of recognition set up by Confindustria to reward companies that stand out for their ability to set up profitable collaboration with local schools for work experience programmes.

The assigning of this recognition, which was announced by Cristina Bombassei, the Vice President of Confindustria Bergamo and in charge of Education, represents another award received by SACBO for the excellent levels of training carried out together with local secondary schools.

SACBO sought to demonstrate to students the complexity of airport operations and environments, in direct contact with a multi-ethnic and multi-lingual public, offering a very special opportunity to put into practice the linguistic skills obtained during their studies, but above all to come into direct contact with cultures and contexts which would otherwise be difficult to encounter in daily life.

The first session, which involved 90 pupils in 2017, was followed by others which have brought the total number of participants to 275 to date. All of the pupils taking part in the project were followed by a tutor and received preparatory training aimed at understanding the functional mechanisms and the regulations which govern the functioning of the airport in all its operational and security aspects.

The impact with a lively, dynamic and articulated situation such as that of the airport has proven to be a comprehensive response to the objectives of work experience as, despite lasting for a short period only, the students involved played an active role in the airport organisation, providing a very useful and valuable service which was much appreciated by the public, the students themselves, their families and the schools.

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Identified by their personal ID badges and a high-visibility waistcoat with the SACBO/BIS logo and the writing “Trainee”, the students were involved in providing assistance to passengers in the check-in areas, security controls and in the airside terminal, carrying out queue combing activities, providing information, directing passengers according to their specific needs and helping in the self-service drop-off area at the check-ins. SACBO played host to youngsters from various schools: The Vittorio Emanuele Commercial Technical Institute, the Falcone Linguistics High School, the Federici Linguistics High School (Trescore Balneario), the Lotto Institute for Commercial Services (Trescore Balneario), the Oscar Romero Linguistic High School (Albino) and the Majorana Institute (Seriato).

Ten students taking part in the work experience project in the airport received a scholarship with the Intercultura Association, provided by SACBO and its handling subsidiary BIS (BGY International Services), which is allowing them to spend a period of four weeks in Cork, Ireland, with a visit to the Ryanair headquarters in Dublin.

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