



## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **AEROPORTO GUGLIELMO MARCONI DI BOLOGNA S.p.A.: new agreement of particular relevance - duty free spaces sub-concession**

Bologna, 7 October 2021 - Aeroporto Guglielmo Marconi di Bologna S.p.A. informs that today it has identified the best offer for the sub-concession of commercial spaces under the duty free and duty paid regime, formulated by the company Heinemann GmbH Italia, a player of absolute and proven reliability in the sector. The agreement which - following additional administrative formalities preparatory to the signing, and except for the hypothesis of any disputes following the competitive procedure carried out taking into account the best practices and company regulations - is expected to be stipulated with effect from January 1, 2022 and for the duration of six years, represents a confirmation and strengthening of the partnership with the operator, with a significant improvement compared to the previous economic conditions, resulting in revenues for the company in close correlation to the traffic delivered. The overall interest gathered around the selection also positively marks the appreciation for the activities of "Marconi" airport and for its future recovery and further development opportunities. The forthcoming partnership, we have reason to believe, is going to enhance the spaces of particular importance for the airport and offer passengers at Bologna airport a high level of service with an optimal marketing mix.

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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, in 2020 - a year affected by the global pandemic - 2.5 million passengers were recorded, ranking as the eighth Italian airport in terms of number of passengers (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 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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