

## **Gesac resigns from Assaeroporti - the Italian Association of Airport Operators**

Gesac, the Naples Airport operator in the person of Mauro Pollio, President and Managing Director, has resigned from Assaeroporti. The resignation was motivated by a divergence of opinion regarding the Association's guide lines and managerial policies.

According to Mr. Pollio, in such a critical moment of civil aviation, the Association needs to be freed of internal and external conditioning and bureaucratic red tape in order to exercise an entrepreneurial role in leading the sector towards true industrialization.

Last July, this same divergence of opinion with the Association's regulations and procedures induced Mr. Pollio to resign from the Association's Executive Committee.

As our motivations were not taken into consideration, there no longer appears to be any reason to justify the continued presence of Gesac in Assaeroporti.

"The shortcomings of the entire civil aviation industry, so manifestly highlighted by the Linate tragedy, clearly indicate a need for profound changes in the system's regulations. Assaeroporti is part of this system which is heavily weighed down by a bureaucratic apparatus aimed at declining responsibility. Vague and patchy regulations have contributed to a situation in which power is either excessively concentrated or totally lacking and total management is at a standstill which is seriously damaging long term investments. In the interests of both association members and airport users, the Association and local authorities need to confront these as well as other issues in a more efficient manner," stated Mr. Pollio.