



PRESS RELEASE

“The airport of tomorrow” inaugurated today in the presence of authorities and the press: the new Naples Airport Terminal

The inauguration ceremony for the new Naples airport terminal was held today in the presence of the Under Secretary to the Council of Ministers, Gianni Letta, the Minister of Infrastructure and Transportation Altero Matteoli, the Mayor of Naples, Rosa Russo Iervolino, the President of the Province of Naples Luigi Cesaro, the President of the Campania Region Antonio Bassolino, Regional Transport Councilman Ennio Cascetta, Enac President Vito Riggio and Director General Alessio Quaranta and the CEO of BAA Italia Mauro Pollio.

During the inaugural ceremony, a presentation was given by Mauro Pollio, BAA Italia CEO, and Vito Riggio, ENAC President, outlining all the infrastructure* investments made by the Naples airport management company since 1998 which have resulted in a complete reconfiguration of the entire passenger terminal.

Gesac – the Naples International Airport’s management company – to date has invested some 209 million Euro, 118 of which were self-financed, while the remaining 91 million came from public funding (specifically, of the investments backed with public funding, 66 million were from PON 2006/2013 Funds) for development of infrastructure and services. The company will continue investing in a series of expansion and optimisation work which involves all the airport areas and is aimed at a more functional, safe and comfortable airport at the service of its passengers.

Declaration of Vito Riggio – ENAC President: “The newly inaugurated terminal, declared ENAC President Vito Riggio – is a vital infrastructure for Southern Italy created with structural funds which were transferred by the Ministry of Transportation to the ENAC and then, based upon Regional agreements, channelled to private enterprises, with airport management companies such as GESAC in the forefront.” Despite limited resources, continued Riggio, the results of ENAC’s actions have been excellent and has been acknowledged by the European Union as well as public administration supervisory bodies such as the Corte dei Conti. The objective of Naples and Southern Italian airports was provide an offer based upon the parameters of safety/security, operativeness, environment and the quality of services in an integrated layout capable of ensuring mobility levels in stride with passenger and business expectations, whilst maintaining competitive times and costs and providing services aimed at promoting the best balance between supply and demand yet fully within established European environmental, safety and security standards.”

“The Naples Capodichino Passenger Terminal, concluded ENAC President - is fully in keeping with the objective of making new infrastructure the driving force for future economic development as to make the South of Italy appealing and receptive to outside investments”.

Declaration of Mauro Pollio – CEO BAA Italia: “Over the years, Naples airport has undergone significant transformation, suffice it to recall what this airport was like in the early 1990s. Following privatisation and entry of BAA, the English-based world leader in airport management, a firm commitment was made. Now, as a result, high-end infrastructure, especially in terms of security, safety and the quality of services offered to the passengers, has been made available to the territory and this is primarily owing to the considerable investments which were made during these years.

Thus, Pollio emphasized, the new external terminal façade is the most evident example of this process of airport infrastructure optimization. Privatisation of Naples Airport, the first Italian airport to be privatised, has been a successful operation, a challenge which local agencies and the BAA fully met and overcame. Today, we can affirm with assurance that we have completely maintained all the territorial commitments assumed and have provided the city and our region with a European airport in compliance with the highest international standards”.

*** Summary of the Main Investments Made to date (from 1998 to 2009):**

- Terminal 2 (*terminal dedicated to charter flights*);
- 7 new aircraft stands;
- 2,550 parking spaces and a new access road;
- Cargo Terminal;
- New shopping area and creation of a refreshment area;
- Expansion of arrivals area (5 new baggage belts, new lost & found and first aide unit);
- 28 new check-in counters;
- Expansion of Departures Hall: new, functional, modern vertical links;
- Expansion of the boarding area and three new gates for non-Schengen departures;
- New baggage belts for departures;
- 12 new security control units;
- Runway repaving (completed in the record time of only 3 days);
- Adaptation of Airfield to ICAO regulations;
- HBS system and new information systems;
- Surveillance system for airport complex and access roads;
- New aircraft fuel depot;
- Airside drainage system;
- New parking area for tourism buses;
- **New layout for terminal exterior (2009)***

Further investments planned for 2012:

- Overall reconfiguration of the commercial area (*landside*);
- Further extension of Arrivals Area;
- Extension of Departures Area (with the addition of 2 bridges);
- Aircraft stand access guide system;
- Further optimization of the terminal;
- A multi-storey car park;
- Optimization of external access road system;
- Restructuring of aprons;

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