



Sea Promotes Malpensa Infrastructural Development

The Terminal 1 and the 3rd runway completed within 2020. A Cargo City and new hospitality infrastructures are foreseen too

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In a year like the one just passed characterized by a deep economic and financial crisis, the worldwide passengers air traffic had a -6% and freight -20%. For the main European airports the interruption of the growing rate of the last years. Even if 2008 has been one of the worst year for the air traffic transport, Sea (the company that manages the Linate and Malpensa airports) did not interrupt its investments to hold its infrastructures up dated. The investments concern the freight area, runways, the commercial areas' restyling and increasing the capacity of producing energy.

The industrial plan

For this reason Sea set up a long term industrial plan that will allow Italy to fill the infrastructure gap to catch up with European competitors. The plan will be based on two subsequent action plans: the first one (2009-2020), is aimed at upgrading infrastructures and services; the long-term one (2020-2040), envisages important logistics works.

The 2009-2020 plan will allow to intervene on the infrastructures of the two airports with a planned capital expenditure amounting to 1.5 billion euro. At Malpensa, Terminal 1 works and the third runway will be completed; high importance will be attached to the development of Cargo City and new hospitality infrastructures. At Linate the envisaged capital expenditure will aim at strengthening the role of Linate as City Airport, characterising it as "Salotto di Milano", to allow the airport system to be ready to welcome the Expo 2015.

The 2020-2040 plan envisages an additional infrastructure development of Malpensa with capex amounting to 4.5 billion euro. Firstly, a new terminal will be built allowing to distribute and further increase passenger traffic. Secondly, the construction of a new, large integrated logistic centre is envisaged: an entire Cargo area destined to cargo freight that will make Malpensa compete with the leading commercial airports worldwide. ■



Giuseppe Bonomi, presidente Sea spa

Three development phases

In specific the main investments at Malpensa will follow in three phases:

• Phase 1 by 2010

12/2009 New South junction

06/2010 Airport city hospitality facilities

12/2010 New Terminal 1

• Phase 2 by 2015

2011 New low cost Terminal 1

2013 Cargo City;

2014 Third runway

• Phase 3 long term developments

From 2017 New logistics centre

From 2020 New central Terminal

From 2020 Rail connection to Central Terminal

From 2020 Single- rail connection from Terminal 1 to Terminal 2



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