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## SACBO PRESENTS EXPANSION WORKS FOR THE PASSENGER TERMINAL

During a ceremony, SACBO presented the expansion works for the passenger terminal, which will involve the departures area and will see the creation of a new check-in hall, the redesigning of the security controls area, with latest-generation X-ray equipment, and the enlargement of the non-Schengen departures area, with the creation of two new boarding gates.

SACBO has invested EUR 41 million of its own resources, assigned via a call for tender, for the project, which is due to see the new check-in area operational by spring 2025, offering 22 additional check-in desks, and the rest of the works completed by November 2025. On termination of the operation, the eastern section of the passenger terminal will have an additional 3,720 m² on the ground floor, allowing expansion of the check-in area and of the X-ray system for checking hold baggage (BHS). The first floor will be expanded by 7,400 m² for the security controls area, with 14 type-C3 stations for the analysis of hand-luggage content without requiring passengers to remove either computers and other electronic equipment or liquids, as well as a new duty-free area (expanded from the current 600 m² to 1,600 m²) and extra space for non-Schengen boarding.

"We have chosen a slogan that encapsulates the aim of the airport-adaptation works, which is "more space, more comfort, faster and further" - stated Giovanni Sanga, president of SACBO - a significant investment that will allow us to continue looking to the future with a focus on sustainability, bearing in mind that the completion of the passenger terminal expansion works will precede the opening of the direct airport rail link. As well as facilitating accessibility with a view to multimodality, our goal is to render the passenger terminal increasingly welcoming, functional and pleasant, facilitating check-in and security operations and allowing passengers to enjoy all the available services during their time spent in the airport".

The ceremony saw the presence of representatives of local authorities: Claudia Maria Terzi, executive councillor for Infrastructure for the Lombardy region; Manuel Bentoglio, the mayor of Grassobbio on behalf of the president of the Province of Bergamo; Stefano Zenoni, executive councillor for the Environment and Mobility for the Municipality of Bergamo.

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