



PRESS RELEASE

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AEROPORTI DI PUGLIA AND TCR SIGN AN AGREEMENT FOR THE FULL-SERVICE RENTAL (FSR) FOR MORE THAN 50 GROUND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT AND THE MAINTENANCE OF THE AIRPORT FLEETS AT THE 4 APULIAN AIRPORTS.

Aeroporti di Puglia announces that it has signed an agreement for Full-Service Rental and GSE (Ground Support Equipment) maintenance with TCR Italia, a world leader in the GSE rental and management industry, starting from 15 March 2019.

By means of this agreement, Aeroporti di Puglia tackles the management of the airport GSE fleet in an innovative way: guaranteeing the renewal of the most obsolete vehicles and the daily availability of a predetermined number of vehicles; reduce the frequency of breakdowns and the unavailability of vehicles due to need for repairs, thanks to the more efficient and effective management of the maintenance program; improve its protection of the environment with the greater use of electric GSE or with the latest generation of endothermic engines and finally, but not least, increasing the safety of passengers and operators thanks to the introduction of telematic control systems for vehicles and aircraft assisted approach devices based on the new IATA AHM913 regulation.

For Aeroporti di Puglia this agreement is part of a policy that sees it involved, as a modern public sector company managing services and infrastructures in favor of a community, in guiding its choices with the highest attention to socio-environmental aspects and to the transparency and fairness of management processes.

Tiziano Onesti, President of Aeroporti di Puglia: *"The renewal of our GSE fleet allows us to modulate, with efficiency and absolute safety and the highest comfort standards, the right equipment for our traffic requirements, taking particular care of our passengers and airlines. Furthermore, with the introduction of new generation vehicles, Aeroporti di Puglia confirms itself as a company that is always careful to "green" choices, having at its heart the issues of sustainability and corporate social responsibility, at all levels and in every activity."*

Francois Peeters General Manager TCR Italia: *"We are very honored to have been selected by Aeroporti di Puglia for this project, not only for the importance of its size, but above all because, in addition to allowing us to demonstrate TCR's ability to manage complex, custom-made solutions, it allows us to support Aeroporti di Puglia in the strategic development of the 4 Apulian airports, each with its own specific vocation, namely Bari and Brindisi for passenger traffic, Taranto Grottaglie for the aerospace industry and the only authorized spaceport in Europe, and finally Foggia's Gino Lisa airport which, with the recognition of the SGEI (General Economic Interest Service) will see the development of a logistic base of the Italian Civil Protection."*

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TCR Italia is based in Fiumicino and has offices in Milan Malpensa, Roma Ciampino and Milano Linate. The company currently has over 600 vehicles in rent in 10 airports (Milan Linate and Malpensa, Rome Fiumicino and Ciampino, Catania, Palermo, Lamezia Terme, Naples, Turin and Venice). TCR Italia manages workshops in Rome FCO, Rome CIA, Milan MXP and Venice VCE. TCR Italia is the Italian branch of the TCR Group.

The **TCR Group** is the leading company in full-service rental of ground support equipment for the airport industry, present worldwide at over 130 airports in 20 countries and with over 30,000 owned assets. Since 1999, TCR has its headquarters at Brussels-Zaventem international airport. The solutions offered by TCR range from full-service operational rental, sale & rent-back, telematics to consulting on GSE fleet management issues.

Aeroporti di Puglia S.p.A. manages the airports of Bari, Brindisi, Foggia and Taranto-Grottaglie which constitute the Apulian airport network, the first to be designated in Italy, implementing the EU Directive 2009/12, under law n. 27/2012 and in compliance with the Italian National Airport Plan. The Apulian airport network is a fundamental asset for the socio-economic system of the region.

In 2018 the airports of Bari and Brindisi welcomed 7.5 million passengers who made use of numerous connections to the main national and international destinations. The Apulian airport network represents, by standard of services and infrastructure, an excellence in the Italian and European panorama, as confirmed by the designation of Taranto-Grottaglie as the first Italian spaceport destined to accommodate suborbital flights.

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