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Torino Airport receives Level 3-Optimisation certification of the international Airport Carbon Accreditation program by ACI Europe for environmental sustainability

Caselle Torinese, December 20, 2022 – Torino Airport achieves **accreditation to Level 3 'Optimisation' of the Airport Carbon Accreditation environmental sustainability program**-the common protocol for actively managing climate-changing emissions at airports through concrete, measurable results-promoted by **ACI Europe**, the association of European airports.

The certification is aimed at airport management companies pursuing carbon neutrality goals by neutralizing CO₂ emissions under their direct control with energy efficiency programs and the use of renewable energy sources.

The Level 3 'Optimisation' is characterized by the preparation of **stakeholders' engagement plan** in the emissions reduction process to be extended to the different actors operating at the airport (airlines, handlers, subconcessionaires, passengers, employees, partners and territorial realities).

All Level 2 'Reduction' accreditation requirements (achieved by Torino Airport in 2021) remain binding, starting with the **carbon reduction implementation plan**.

Over the past five years, Torino Airport has reduced CO₂ emissions under its direct control by **34 percent, totaling more than 3,000 tons**.

For the coming years, Torino Airport is already working on additional projects aimed at neutralizing CO₂ emissions. These include:

- self-generation of electricity from photovoltaic systems (a first batch of interventions will be completed in 2023 to ensure a peak power of 1.6 MW);
- the renewal of the airport fleet with hybrid or full electric vehicles;
- the completion of relamping interventions on lighting systems;
- the installation of trigenerative systems with hydrogen-ready fuel cells for self-generation of electricity and thermal energy and the installation of heat pump systems;
- the incentive program for the use of sustainable means of transportation aimed at both partners and employees;
- the offsetting own emissions (Scope 1 and Scope 2) with certified carbon credits.

Launched by Airports Council International (ACI) Europe in 2009, the Airport Carbon Accreditation program enables airports to assess their progress in managing their carbon footprint. The Airport Carbon Accreditation protocol includes **6 levels of climate certification**: mapping, reduction, optimisation, neutrality, transformation and transition. The administration of the program is managed by an environmental consulting firm WSP, ensuring impartial implementation. In addition, assessments for granting certification are thoroughly checked by independent verifiers.

Andrea Andorno, CEO of Torino Airport, said: “We are very happy to have received certification at Level 3 'Optimisation' of the Airport Carbon Accreditation program: this is an important



recognition of the great commitment we have made to the environment, the territory and future generations to make our industry increasingly sustainable. Being able to involve third parties in this sustainability process is a key piece in spreading the culture of respect for the environment and contributing in a shared perspective to the fight against the climate crisis”.

Olivier Jankovec, Director General of ACI Europe, said: “I am delighted to congratulate Torino Airport on successfully achieving Level 3 ‘Optimisation’ of Airport Carbon Accreditation. It is important to stress that continued climate action in the current extreme circumstances faced by our industry is particularly noteworthy. In addition, reaching Level 3 of Airport Carbon Accreditation means that Torino Airport is now going beyond the emissions under its direct control and engaging with companies operating at its premises to drive third party CO₂ reductions. Well done to everyone involved in this challenging endeavour and congratulations again”.

For further information: www.airportcarbonaccreditation.org

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