

## PRESS RELEASE

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## Number of passengers continues its growth at Ostend-Bruges Airport

After consecutive record-breaking months in July, August and September, we have broken another record for the month of October. Never have this many travelers passed through the Ostend airport in October as this past month, as we have concluded it with 40.818 passengers. Last year we welcomed 37.580 passengers, signifying an 8.6% growth.

This is a seamless transition from the busy summer months. The reason for this positive outcome is a significant rise in the number of chartered flights, resulting in more charter passengers, including teams from European football leagues. Another area of considerable increase is that of our business jet passengers. The opening of the brand new NSAC business terminal has allowed this sector to make great strides in its number of movements and passengers.

At the same time, the winter season has begun. The airport offers opportunities to escape the gloomy weather with an array of flights to the Spanish coasts and sunny Egypt.

The cargo volume still follows the worldwide downward trend. The total volume transported by the airport was also a challenge in the month of October. From January to the end of October we have recorded a 15.6% decline compared to last year, a trend which we expect to continue.

The Ostend Airport can once again take pride in its excellent results with regard to punctuality of departures, which benefits all of its passengers. Last month we recorded another high score of 97.3% for our 'on time performance' (OTP).

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