

**Naples, December 16, 2025** – Naples Airport, the first in Italy to achieve **ACA Level 5** in 2024, has once again received the highest environmental certification from the **Airport Carbon Accreditation (ACA)** program, the global certification program for airport carbon management recognized at an institutional level. This is a particularly significant milestone: Naples is the **only airport in Italy certified at Level 5** and among the **30 airports worldwide** out of over 600 participants in the ACA program to hold this level.

The ACA is an international program, which Naples has been part of since 2013, that defines and certifies activities to manage, reduce, and neutralize CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. It features seven different certification levels, with Level 5 being the highest. Since joining the program in 2013, Naples Airport has consistently achieved the **maximum certification**, reaching the objectives set by the accrediting body, progressively reducing direct CO<sub>2</sub> emissions per passenger, and ultimately achieving **net zero emissions**.

**Level 5** entails carbon neutrality for **all direct emissions** and a concrete commitment to achieve zero **indirect emissions by 2050**, through a decarbonization strategy that requires active collaboration with the entire airport ecosystem, including employees, suppliers, airlines, and third-party companies.

Specifically, the **green strategic plan** implemented by GESAC, with an investment of over €16 million, includes a wide range of initiatives to enhance sustainability. These cover energy efficiency improvements, electrification of airside vehicles, expansion of photovoltaic systems, and tree planting initiatives. The plan also optimizes flight procedures to reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and provides incentives for airlines operating next-generation aircraft, which help minimize both noise and greenhouse gas emissions.

Environmental sustainability is accompanied by social sustainability, exemplified by the **“Progetti in Volo”** initiative, which offers activities for young people in neighborhoods surrounding the airport, particularly in the areas of sports, theater, art, and creative writing workshops.

“For GESAC, sustainability is not an isolated goal but a continuous process integrating technological innovation, operational efficiency, and environmental and social responsibility—a commitment that creates value for the territory, communities, and future generations,” stated **Roberto Barbieri, CEO of GESAC**.