

## INTRODUCTION

**BELGOCONTROL IS AN AUTONOMOUS PUBLIC COMPANY, CREATED IN 1998, WITH THE MAIN MISSION TO GUARANTEE THE SAFETY OF AIR NAVIGATION, PASSENGERS AND OVERFLOWN POPULATION IN THE CIVIL AIRSPACE FOR WHICH BELGIUM IS RESPONSIBLE AND WHICH IS ONE OF THE MOST COMPLEX IN EUROPE.**

Belgocontrol combines its mission of public service with the high quality of its service provision by cutting costs, optimizing capacity, flow and punctuality of air traffic, and by ensuring sustainable development to air navigation.

Its zone of activities extends from ground level - the control of movements at Brussels Airport and the airports of Liege, Ostend and Kortrijk - to flight level 245 (7,500 metres) for Belgium and between the flight levels 145/165 and

245 (4,500 - 7,500 metres) for the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg. The sectors above flight level 245 fall within the competence of the EUROCONTROL centre in Maastricht (the Netherlands), to which Belgium has delegated air traffic control for its upper airspace.

**BELGOCONTROL OFFERS A PANOPLY OF OTHER SERVICES WHICH ARE ESSENTIAL TO A SAFE CONTROL AND MANAGEMENT OF AIR TRAFFIC:**

such as accurate, reliable and real-time aeronautical and meteorological information. Belgocontrol is responsible for managing the infrastructure and all the ATM (Air Traffic Management) data processing systems of Communication, Navigation & Surveillance vital to its own activity and that of its customers: airlines and other airspace users, the Belgian airports and public authorities. The company also offers training and

consultancy services to external customers.

**AS A PROVIDER OF INTEGRATED SERVICES, BELGOCONTROL PLAYS A DRIVING ROLE IN THE AERONAUTICAL SECTOR AND POSITIONS ITSELF INTERNATIONALLY AS AN EXPERT, TOTALLY IN STEP WITH THE SINGLE EUROPEAN SKY PHILOSOPHY.**

The restructuring of the European airspace into Functional Airspace Blocks (FAB), in which the European member States are involved, is one of the most visible results of the Single European Sky regulations. Belgocontrol, with its counterparts in Germany, France, Luxembourg, the Netherlands and Switzerland created the FABEC (FAB Europe Central), a common Functional Airspace Block which aims to improve efficiency of air navigation in the heart of Europe.

## KEY FIGURES 2017



**1,075,535**  
flight movements  
controlled by Belgocontrol  
in 2017



**+3.3 %**  
growth compared  
to 2016



**€ 234.8 million**  
turnover



**5.4 seconds**  
average en-route delay  
per flight



**845**  
number  
of employees



**€ 20.2 million**  
have been invested by  
Belgocontrol in 2017 for the  
renewal of its equipment