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November opening for a food-court and a restaurant with waiter service. The operation gives Autogrill the leadership in airport restaurant services, with 21 outlets in 5 Italian airports and overall revenues, once all outlets are fully operational, of more than 60 billion lire.

Autogrill chosen to provide restaurant services at Fiumicino Airport's new West satellite

Milan, 6th July 1999 - Just a few weeks after acquiring a restaurant and three bars at Naples Airport, Autogrill, a company in the Benetton family group, announced today that it had been selected to provide restaurant services in the West satellite of the "C" complex at Rome Fiumicino's Leonardo da Vinci Airport.

The Autogrill facilities – a restaurant with waiter service named "La Galleria" and a 300-seat food-court with a capacity of more than one thousand meals per day – will begin operations with the opening of the new satellite, scheduled for November.

The latest concession, which will see Autogrill serving the approximately 4 million intercontinental passengers in transit in Rome every year, gives the company the leadership of the airport restaurant market: it operates 21 outlets in 5 different Italian airport complexes (Milan Malpensa terminal 1 & terminal 2, Milan Linate, Rome Fiumicino and Naples Capodichino) for annual revenues, once all 21 sites are fully operational, of more than 60 billion lire.

"This is a further important step in our plans to expand our European airport restaurant operations," commented Autogrill CEO Paolo Prota Giurleo. "Today's announcement is part of a strategy aimed at establishing Autogrill as a major player in non-motorway concessions."

A few weeks ago, during an interview with an international wire agency, Prota Giurleo announced that Autogrill had acquired an additional four outlets (a restaurant with waiter service and three bars) in Naples Capodichino Airport, where the company already runs a Spizzico quick-service restaurant.

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Autogrill is Europe's largest modern retail catering group and, with its Spizzico brand, the market leader in the quick-service pizza area in Italy. Through its 636 bars and restaurants in nine European countries, the Group reported chain revenues of 2,315 billion lire in 1998.