

PRESS RELEASE

CREMONINI GROUP: Chef Express has inaugurated two catering outlets in the Bolzano station, at the centre of an important enhancement intervention.

The outlets comprise a bar-cafeteria with an annexed drinks and snacks minimarket and a “bar kiosk” close to the rails.

The Cremonini Group has inaugurated the Chef Express bar-cafeteria within the Bolzano station, where a flow of about 6 million passengers is recorded every year.

The opening of the new bar service is part of an enhancement plan promoted nationally by Centostazioni (FS - Archimede 1), which also involves the Bolzano station. The architectural and functional refurbishment intervention, which Centostazioni is achieving based on an investment of 2.5 million Euro, is in the conclusive phase and will shortly permit the return of a more up-to-date station and services to citizens and travellers.

The new bar is characterised by the coordinated logo of the “**Chef Express**” brand and has kept the staff of the previous management. The works were completed in little more than a month to limit the hardship for travellers. A “**bar**” is also alongside the premises, placed close to the rails. In prospect, as and when the new refurbished area becomes available, Cremonini envisages increasing the catering offer further.

The “Chef Express” bar, open from 5.30 a.m. to 11.30 p.m., offers a vast choice of products, from the cafeteria to the patisserie, from gastronomy to the sweet and salted snacks section and the classic take-away products (sandwiches, snacks, fruit salads, yogurt, juices and drinks).

Chef Express Spa, the company that manage Cremonini’s catering businesses, achieved total consolidated revenues of 558.1 million Euro in 2009 (+ 17.6%). The Group is the leader in Italy in the station buffets market of concession catering with its presence in over 150 sales outlets in 42 railway stations, of which thirty are in the Centostazioni network. The Group is also present in 7 airports (Rome Fiumicino, Rome Ciampino, Cagliari, Palermo, Parma, Genoa and Bergamo) and in the motorway catering sector: to date there are 38 catering areas managed by the Group. Cremonini is the 1st operator in Europe in the on-board train catering market, with over 1,000 trains served daily in 8 European countries. Finally, Cremonini is present in commercial catering with the Roadhouse Grill brand steakhouse chain, which now has 20 premises in Italy.

Cremonini, with over 11,500 employees and 2009 revenues of 2.8 billion Euro, is one of the largest food groups in Europe and operates in three business areas: production, distribution and catering. The Group is the leader in Italy in the production of beef and meat-based transformed products (**Inalca JBS** and **Montana**) and the marketing and distribution of food products to the food service sector (**MARR**). It is the leading operator in on-board train catering in Europe, and in Italy in concession catering in railway stations. It also has a prominent presence in the airports and motorway service areas (**Chef Express** in Italy and various subsidiary companies in France, Spain, Belgium and the United Kingdom). Finally, it is present in commercial catering with its Roadhouse Grill brand steakhouse chain.

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