

## ***PRESS RELEASE PROTOCOL WITH ENAC AND THE EDGE COMPANY***

The Edge Company has signed a memorandum of understanding with ENAC, the Italian civil aviation authority, for a collaboration aimed at raising safety levels through the BCMS system, a new technology that aims to reduce the risk of impact with birds for military, civil and commercial flight.

The concrete objective of the experimentation is to gather information to demonstrate, through the analysis of reports produced by the BCMS Ventur system, how said system is able to detect the presence of wildlife more efficiently than systems currently in use, reducing the need to rely on BCU-operated patrolling on airfields.

It is also intended to demonstrate that with the BCMS system, it is possible to reduce the presence of the birds by 30 percent over a 12-month period.

Due to the precision of monitoring and accuracy in data collection, the BCMS system can optimize activities in terms of area and daily duration of monitoring, resulting in reduced monitoring costs. This is what is intended to be proved during the 12-month trial, which started in February in Rome and will also be started in spring on Pantelleria airport.

The benefits that the BCMS system allows are an optimization of the human resources involved in wildlife strike prevention and a reduction in the number of personnel on the runway with a subsequent reduction in the risk for the attendant himself and for aviation operations.

The trial with Enac Servizi is an important building block for The Edge Company and the fight against birdstrike. This marks the beginning of an Italian solution to the mitigation of the problem that has always plagued aviation.

We know progress cannot be stopped, but we are convinced that it can be made without sacrificing the lives of wild animals.