

The Fourth Round of Airport Concessions

President Dilma Rousseff has just taken one more step towards the Fourth Round of Airport Concessions. Through the publication of Decree nº 8,517, the President has just included the airports of Porto Alegre, Salvador, Florianópolis and Fortaleza in the Brazilian Denationalization Program.

The investment is estimated at approximately R\$ 8.5 billion for all concessions: Porto Alegre (R\$ 2.5 billion), Salvador (R\$ 3 billion), Florianópolis (R\$ 1.1 billion) and Fortaleza (R\$ 1.8 billion). The bidding processes are expected to begin in the first half of 2016.

These airports are among Brazil's 15 most active airports, transporting over 27 million passengers yearly. The investments will be focused on expanding runways, aprons and passenger terminals.

Decree nº 8,517 retakes the Brazilian Government's plan to delegate the operation of these airports to the private sector. The airports, as well as the ports, are deemed essential for recovering the country's economic growth, as stated by the Planning Minister, Nelson Barbosa.

The National Agency for Civil Aviation (ANAC) is in charge of implementing and monitoring the concessions. The Civil Aviation Secretariat (SAC) will supervise ANAC's activities. SAC is also incumbent upon the approval of the studies and projects that will underpin the modeling of the upcoming airport concessions.

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