



ISTANBUL NEW AIRPORT TO BOAST ONE OF THE BIGGEST YOTEL'S IN THE WORLD

İGA, the constructor and operator of the soon-to-open Istanbul New Airport (INA), has signed a contract with the London based hotel group, YOTEL, for a new 451 room hotel at the gateway.

The hotel, which will be one of the biggest airport hotels in the world, with both airside and landside access.

Located conveniently inside the main terminal building, it will be easily accessible to both business and leisure travellers, as well as airline crew.

"We are delighted to have chosen YOTEL as our new airport's exclusive air and landside hotel operator", says Kadri Samsunlu, CEO of İGA Airport Operation.

"Istanbul New Airport will accelerate the growth of Turkish Airlines the flag carrier airline of the Republic of Turkey which flies to the most countries in the world. Our focus is to bring an unprecedented passenger experience that is efficient and stress-free, cutting waiting time and paper processing.

"YOTEL will contribute to our perfect passenger experience approach with unique innovative elemental luxury and technologically decked space.

"I am very confident that Istanbul New Airport will be a global showcase not only for the world-renowned Turkish hospitality, but also a brand-new bridge, which connects people and continents.

"We are building an airport in which all passengers will experience many unique never seen before innovations and we look forward to hosting the world!"

He continues: "Over the past 16 years, Turkey has visibly undergone a significant growth, development and reforms in its economy, tourism, infrastructure and standards of living and INA is a crucial part of this vision aimed at setting the bar higher and improving the quality of life for our citizens and visitors alike, I feel fortunate and privileged to be a part of this monumental project."

Commenting on the brand's first investment in Turkey, Hubert Viriot, YOTEL's CEO says: "We've witnessed Turkey's and particularly Istanbul's remarkable economic and urban development, transformation and its noticeably increased popularity over the past few years.

"Istanbul New Airport will only further increase Istanbul's ever-expanding popularity and economy and YOTEL is delighted to be a part of it.

"The prevailing ambitious vision to make Istanbul New Airport the largest transit hub in the world made it very attractive for us to be there, and we are extremely honoured to be chosen for this exciting project. This city aspires to high growth success, just like YOTEL, so we are a perfect match."

Istanbul New Airport hotel will be YOTEL's largest airport hotel. The company currently operates four airport hotels under the YOTELAIR brand in London Gatwick, London Heathrow, Amsterdam Schiphol and Paris Charles de Gaulle airports.

INA, the world's largest greenfield airport project, will replace Istanbul–Atatürk Airport when it opens in October, 2018.

At full build out, it is expected to have the capacity to handle up to 200 million passengers per annum across three terminals and six runways.