



## PRESS NOTE

**SALINI : “THE UNITED STATES A STRATEGIC MARKET TO LEVERAGE WORLDWIDE GROWTH”**

**“2016 GLOBAL BEST PROJECT AWARD” FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE STAVROS NIARCHOS FOUNDATION CULTURAL CENTER**

*New York, October 11 2016* - “We are in the best possible position to achieve a winning growth strategy in the United States and this will catalyze our global growth” said CEO Pietro Salini upon receiving the “2016 Global Best Project Award” for the construction of the Stavros Niarchos Foundation Cultural Center.

This is currently one of the most dynamic markets and we are very well-positioned thanks to the extraordinary and consolidated expertise held by Lane Construction, America’s number One Highway Contractor. It now comprises our American company Healy which in recent years has completed some of the most challenging engineering feats in the United States. Their union will enable us to compete as leaders of the large-scale construction industry in a country which has allocated substantial funds for the re-modernization of roads, bridges, railways systems and hydraulic infrastructure works.

“The American market – continued Salini – is a strategic market for a group like ours that is active in over 50 countries. Globally speaking, risk management is what makes the difference in relation to the risks that a contractor takes on when a contract is awarded and the contractor is paid to execute the contract. In this respect the United States is a much stabler market and this is why we are operative directly through an American company. The United States now represents 25% of our turnover and the continuation of our growth trajectory.

The Global Best Project Award was assigned during a global construction summit. According to ENR (Engineering News Record) the leading trade publication of the engineering and construction industry, the award honoured the outstanding design and construction achievements of the project amongst the 23 projects from 15 different countries.

For the fourth year running Salini Impregilo has been ranked by ENR as global leader of the water infrastructure sector and 25<sup>th</sup> amongst the Top International Contractors.

### **Salini Impregilo**

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*Renaissance Dam, the Cityringen metro in Copenhagen, the Red Line North metro in Doha, the Stavros Niarchos cultural centre in Athens and the high-speed rail link between Genoa and Milan. In 2015, its revenues (including Lane Construction) totalled around €6 billion, with a backlog of over €36 billion. Salini Impregilo Group is headquartered in Italy and is listed on the Milan Stock Exchange (Borsa Italiana: SAL; Reuters: SALI.MI; Bloomberg: SAL.IM). For more information, visit our website at [www.salini-impregilo.com](http://www.salini-impregilo.com) and follow us on Twitter @SaliniImpregilo.*

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