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WEBUILD CONSORTIUM SIGNS €490 MLN CONTRACT FOR CLUJ-NAPOCA–EPISCOPIA BIHOR SECTION OF RAILWAY PROJECT IN ROMANIA

WEBUILD INCREASES PRESENCE IN SUSTAINABLE MOBILITY SECTOR TO REDUCE CO2 EMISSIONS IN COUNTRY

- *Contract to develop railway section awarded in October*
- *Modernisation, electrification of nearly 50 kilometres of existing line including five stations*
- *Contract financed by Romania's EU-funded plan in support of strategic projects in country*

MILAN, December 7, 2022 – Webuild has reached a new milestone in Romania with the signing of the €490-million contract to develop Lot 4 – the section between Aleşd and the Hungarian border – of a railway connecting Cluj-Napoca and Episcopia Bihor in Romania. The Group (with a 50% stake) and its consortium partners received the contract in October. The work the consortium will perform on the section is expected to create approximately 1,000 direct and indirect jobs, involving the local supply chain.

The contract comprises the design and execution of the modernisation and electrification of approximately 50 kilometres of an existing railway, including five stations at Tileagd, Osorhei, East Oradea, Oradea, and Episcopia Bihor in the country's northwest towards the border with Hungary.

Commissioned by CFR, Romania's national railway company, the project is financed by European Union funds via Romania's National Recovery and Resilience Plan designed to develop strategic infrastructure. Lot 4 belongs to a wider programme to modernise and electrify more than 166 kilometres of the Cluj-Napoca-Oradea-Episcopia Bihor railway. It will also improve the country's connections with Europe's rail network.

The planned interventions will guarantee the technical conditions for passenger trains to travel at 160 kilometres per hour and at 120 kilometres per hour for freight trains. It will increase the comfort and safety of the rail service and make it more competitive than road travel. Not only will it reduce travel times between the cities, but it will also limit CO2 emissions.

The contract sees Webuild increase its presence in the sector of sustainable mobility, confirming its role as a global player. The Group's projects support countries with climate transition, proposing innovative solutions to improve the sustainability of projects. It is working on projects that are set to benefit 89 million people throughout the world by improving access to water, energy and transport. They will also contribute to reducing emissions of CO2 by up to 24 million tonnes a year.

In Romania, Webuild is involved in the construction of approximately 200 kilometres of metro and rail lines, and more than 90 kilometres of roads and highways. One of the iconic projects nearing completion is the Braila Bridge, the second longest suspension bridge in continental Europe at 1,975 metres, whose main deck reaches 1,120 kilometres.

Webuild, the new Group born in 2020 from Salini Impregilo, is a leading global player in the construction of large, complex projects for sustainable mobility (rail, metro, bridges, roads, ports), hydropower (dams, power plants), water (treatment and desalination plants, wastewater management, irrigation dams) and green buildings (civil and industrial buildings, airports, stadiums, hospitals). It supports clients in achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) established by the United Nations. The Group ranks first in



the world for the construction of infrastructure in the water sector. Since 2018, it is also among the top 10 companies by revenue generated from environmental services. Webuild is the expression of 116 years of engineering experience applied in 50 countries with 80,000 direct and indirect employees from more than 100 nationalities. Iconic projects, completed or under construction, include the M4 metro line in Milan, a section of Line 16 of the Grand Paris Express, Cityringen in Copenhagen, the viaduct and bridge for Sydney Metro Northwest in Australia, Red Line North Underground in Doha, Line 3 of Riyadh Metro and high-speed railways in Italy. Others include the Genova San Giorgio Bridge in Italy, the Long Beach International Gateway Bridge in Long Beach, California, the expansion of the Panama Canal, the Snowy 2.0 hydroelectric scheme in Australia, the Rogun hydroelectric dam in Tajikistan, the Anacostia River and Northeast Boundary hydraulic tunnels in Washington, D.C., and the Al Bayt 2022 World Cup stadium in Qatar. At June 30, 2022, the Group had a total order backlog amounting to more than €47 billion, with 90% of the construction backlog relating to projects linked to SDGs. Webuild, subject to direction and coordination by Salini Costruttori S.p.A., is headquartered in Italy and is listed on the Milan stock exchange (Borsa Italiana: WBD; Reuters: WBD.MI; Bloomberg: WBD:IM).

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