

## **PRESS NOTE**

### **PIETRO SALINI: SUPPLEMENTARY DOCUMENTATION TO BE DELIVERED ON SEPTEMBER 30 REGARDING THE UPDATE OF THE FINAL PROJECT OF THE STRAIT OF MESSINA BRIDGE**

#### **THE EUROLINK CONSORTIUM LED BY WEBUILD READY TO RESTART ACTIVITIES TO BUILD THE BRIDGE**

*Milan, September 27, 2023* – “As planned, by September 30, we are ready to deliver to the company *Società Stretto di Messina* the supplementary documentation regarding the update of the final project of the Strait of Messina Bridge: an innovative, strategic, and immediately implementable project. It is a further step to building the Strait of Messina Bridge. A decade since works stopped in 2013 and with more than 50 years of work already done, with analyses, studies, investments to carry out the project, which has already passed all exams, both national and international, we can only be satisfied to see that the project is advancing as it will be the driving force for growth for the South of Italy and Italy as a whole”, said Webuild Chief Executive Officer Pietro Salini as he intervened at the ANCE Presidential Meeting (*Consiglio di Presidenza ANCE*).

The documentation concerns the bridge and its road and rail connections. It includes, among other things, the technical multi-disciplinary report to conform the project to the new technical rules regarding safety and the environment, and to the technological innovation now present in the sector.

“We hope that the fulfilment of all the steps that will come will allow Italy to start activities before summer 2024”, concluded Salini.

The project includes constructing the world's longest suspended bridge, with an overall span measuring 3,666 metres and a central suspended one of 3,300 metres. The deck's overall width measures 60 metres and the two towers on the ground will reach 399 metres in height. The bridge will comprise two roadways with 3 lanes in each direction (two normal ones and an emergency one) and a double-track railway line, which will allow 6,000 vehicles each hour to pass on it, with 200 trains per day. It will therefore revolutionize the mobility of the area and of the entire South of Italy.

The Eurolink Consortium comprises an international group of companies that are among the most qualified, globally, in designing and building bridges. Webuild by itself can boast a track record of over 1,000 kilometres of bridges and viaducts, in Italy and abroad, among which the Genoa San Giorgio Bridge, completed in 2020 in Italy, in record time, the Bridge over the Danube at Braila (Braila Bridge), the longest in Romania and Continental Europe's second longest suspended bridge, the Third Bridge over the Bosphorous in Turkey, the widest hybrid suspended bridge in the world when built, and the Long Beach International Gateway in California, among the tallest bridges in the US. The Group is currently working on 31 main projects in Italy, with approximately 16,300 people already working within the most extensive infrastructure project in Italy, with strong economic and occupational impact.

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its 117 years of applied engineering on more than 3,200 projects, the Group has built 14,118 kilometres of rail and metro lines, 82,509 kilometres of roads and highways, 1,018 kilometres of bridges and viaducts, 3,396 kilometres of tunnels, and 313 dams and hydropower plants. Projects include the Genoa San Giorgio Bridge, the second Panama Canal, the Lake Mead Third Intake hydraulic project near Las Vegas in the United States, the Airport Line in Perth, Australia and the Stavros Niarchos Foundation Cultural Center in Athens. Projects under construction include the Brenner Base Tunnel, Line 4 of the Milan metro system, the Terzo Valico dei Giovi-Nodo di Genova in Italy, and the North East Link of Melbourne in Australia. As of June 30, 2023, the Group had total orders worth €61 billion, with more than 90% of the Group's construction backlog related to projects linked to the advancement of the United Nations 2030 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Webuild, subject to the direction and coordination of Salini Costruttori S.p.A., is headquartered in Italy and is listed on the Milan stock exchange (WBD; WBD.MI; WBD:IM). Since 2021, it is member of the MIB ESG, the index of Italian companies with the best ESG practices.

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