

## **PRESS RELEASE**

## WEBUILD: OPENING TO THE PUBLIC OF THE RIYADH METRO ORANGE LINE (LINE 3), PART OF ONE OF THE WORLD'S LARGEST URBAN MOBILITY INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

## THE ORANGE LINE IS THE LONGEST IN THE SAUDI CAPITAL'S IMPRESSIVE METRO NETWORK, WHICH WAS OFFICIALLY INAUGURATED LAST NOVEMBER

- Spanning approximately 41 kilometres, the Orange Line (Line 3) is the longest driverless metro line in the Saudi capital
- 5 strategically located stations across Riyadh were opened to the public on 05 January

Riyadh, 06 January 2025 – The Orange Line (Line 3) of the Riyadh Metro network officially opened to passengers today in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. Developed by Webuild on behalf of the Royal Commission for Riyadh City (RCRC), the Orange Line (Line 3) represents an innovative blend of technology and sustainability. Spanning approximately 41 kilometres, it is the longest driverless line in the capital city's metro system, which was inaugurated last November. The Orange Line is set to enhance urban mobility in the Saudi capital, improving the quality of life for residents and visitors alike, aligning with the ambitions of the Kingdom's Vision 2030.

With the public opening of the Orange Line (Line 3), the Royal Commission for Riyadh City (RCRC) successfully completes the phased rollout of the Riyadh Metro, with the Orange Line having officially commenced passenger operations on 05 January.

Passengers in Riyadh can now access five stations along the network's Orange Line (Line 3): Jeddah Road Station, Tuwaiq Station, Douh Station, Harun Al-Rashid Road Station and Al-Naseem Station. The Al-Naseem Station also serves as a key transfer point, connecting the Orange Line with the Purple Line.

The Riyadh Metro network is one of the world's largest infrastructure projects for sustainable mobility. Comprising six lines spanning 176 kilometres—including the Orange Line (Line 3)—it connects residential and commercial districts with cultural landmarks. The network addresses the transportation needs of the Saudi capital's growing population, providing an efficient and sustainable alternative to road travel.

The network's Orange Line (Line 3) connects the eastern and western parts of Riyadh, spanning a 41-kilometer route from Jeddah Road in the west to the Second Eastern Ring Road near the Khashm Al Aan area in the east. This milestone marks the culmination of the phased operational plan introduced during the project's inauguration.

Webuild has a proven track record in successfully delivering large-scale projects, highlighting its strong delivery capabilities. With a presence in Saudi Arabia since its first projects in 1966, the company is currently involved in key developments, including the high-speed Connector line and a system of three dams with a freshwater lake for the city of Trojena, part of the NEOM development program. In Riyadh, Webuild is also constructing a massive underground parking facility with 10,500 spaces and the Sang Villas Urbanization Plan.



These efforts complement Webuild's portfolio of completed projects, including Riyadh's Kingdom Center—winner of the 2002 Emporis Skyscraper Award for best design—over 70 healthcare facilities, and the Shuaibah-3 desalination plant, built by Fisia Italimpianti, the Group's subsidiary specializing in water treatment and desalination.

In the field of sustainable mobility, in addition to the Orange Line (Line 3) of the Riyadh Metro network, Webuild has contributed to numerous other metro projects in cities such as Milan, Thessaloniki, Naples, Rome, Paris, Copenhagen, Athens, Doha, Sydney, New York, and San Francisco - each of which has become a benchmark for sustainable mobility. The Group is currently involved in the delivery of technically challenging projects such as Rome's Line C Metro, the recently awarded West Line 15 of the Grand Paris Express, the ongoing Line 16, the Lima Metro Line 4 and Line 2 in Peru, and the Suburban Rail Loop East in Melbourne, Australia.

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