

## **PRESS NOTE**

WEBUILD: RIACHUELO WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEM BEGINS OPERATIONS IN BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA — ONE OF THE LARGEST AND MOST COMPLEX ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY PROJECTS IN THE WORLD

## SYSTEM NOW OPERATIONAL FOLLOWING THE ACTIVATION OF LOT 2, BUILT BY WEBUILD AND ITS SUBSIDIARY FISIA ITALIMPIANTI, TO BENEFIT OVER 4 MILLION PEOPLE ACROSS 14 MUNICIPALITIES



- The whole system, the largest wastewater treatment project ever built in Latin America, is divided into three main lots, two of which were built by the Webuild Group
- Lot 2, scheduled to be delivered by the end of July, provides pretreatment of the city's wastewater, contributing to the environmental redevelopment of the Río de la Plata

*Milan, June 4, 2025* – Buenos Aires takes a major step toward environmental sustainability with the launch of the Riachuelo System, the largest wastewater treatment project ever built in Latin America. Developed in three main lots, two of which were constructed by the Webuild Group, the system is now operational with the commissioning of Lot 2 by Webuild's subsidiary, Fisia Italimpianti.

This milestone marks the completion of one of the world's largest water pretreatment plants, representing a strategic infrastructure project co-financed by the World Bank. The Riachuelo System will enhance sanitation services for over 4.3 million people in the Buenos Aires metropolitan area and support the environmental recovery of the Río de la Plata. Once fully operational, it will treat up to 2.3 million cubic metres of wastewater per day and expand sewer access to 1.5 million additional residents across 14 municipalities.

Lot 2, scheduled for delivery to client AYSA by the end of July, comprises an inlet pumping station with a capacity of 36 cubic metres per second, a pretreatment facility for 27 cubic metres per second, and an outlet pumping station.

Lot 2 is central to the three-phase Riachuelo System: Lot 1 collects the wastewater; Lot 2 handles pretreatment; and Lot 3, also completed by Webuild, discharges treated water into the Río de la Plata via a



12-kilometre subfluvial tunnel, built 40 metres beneath the riverbed. With an internal diameter of 4.3 metres, this tunnel carries the water to an advanced diffuser system consisting of 34 vertical steel pipes ("risers") that ensure uniform and safe dispersion of treated water along the river bottom. This highly complex engineering feat earned the project the prestigious ITA International Tunneling Award in 2021.

With the Riachuelo System, Webuild reaffirms its commitment to sustainable development and water resource protection, helping to improve quality of life for millions. A global leader in the water sector, as recognized for over a decade by the ENR rankings, Webuild is currently engaged in major infrastructure projects worldwide. These include the Northeast Boundary Tunnel in Washington, D.C.; the Rogun Dam in Tajikistan — the world's tallest; the Grand Ethiopian Renaissance Dam — Africa's largest; and Snowy 2.0 — Australia's most ambitious hydroelectric project.

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Webuild is a global leader in the design and construction of large, complex infrastructure projects in sustainable mobility, hydropower, water treatment, and green buildings. A recognized leader in the water sector, it works in approximately 50 countries with over 92,000 people of 125 different nationalities. The Group boasts nearly 120 years of applied engineering on more than 3,700 completed projects, with a track record of 13,648 kilometres of railways, 891 kilometres of metro lines, 82,577 kilometres of roads and highways, 1,022 kilometres of bridges and viaducts, 3,462 kilometres of tunnels, and 318 dams and hydropower plants. Among its most famous projects: the expansion of the Panama Canal, the Long Beach International Gateway bridge in California, the Third Bosphorus Bridge in Turkey, the Sydney Metro Northwest skytrain viaduct and bridge, the Kingdom Centre skyscraper in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, and numerous metro lines in Copenhagen, Paris, Rome, Milan, Naples, Doha, Thessaloniki, and Riyadh. Among the main ongoing projects, the following stand out: the New Genoa Breakwater, the Brenner Base Tunnel, the Pedemontana Lombarda Highway, Line C of Rome's metro network, the high-capacity railways between Genoa and Milan, the high-speed railway between Naples and Bari, the Palermo-Catania-Messina high-capacity railway, the Snowy 2.0 hydropower scheme in Australia, and the Trojena dam network in Saudi Arabia. As of December 31, 2024, the Webuild Group registered total revenues for €12 billion and a total backlog of €63 billion, with more than 90% of its construction backlog related to projects linked to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Webuild, subject to the direction and coordination of Salini Costruttori S.p.A., is headquartered in Italy, is listed on the Milan Stock Exchange, Borsa Italiana (WBD; WBD.MI; WBD:IM), and since 2021, it is included in the MIB ESG index of the Italian blue-chip companies with the best ESG practices.

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