

PRESS NOTE

WEBUILD CEO SALINI: “COLLABORATION BETWEEN INSTITUTIONS, INDUSTRY AND UNIVERSITIES IS KEY TO MAKING THE COUNTRY’S INFRASTRUCTURE SYSTEM EVER MORE COMPETITIVE”

MILAN, April 15, 2026 – “In order to keep competing at the highest level in a global infrastructure market that is expected to reach \$5.18 trillion by 2030, it is essential that we further strengthen collaboration in a systemic way among institutions, industry and academia. More than any technology, it is this kind of alliance that can transform a project into a legacy for future generations,” said Pietro Salini, Chief Executive Officer of Webuild at “*Costruire secondo bellezza. Dove infrastrutture e design si incontrano*” (“*Building Through Beauty. Where Infrastructure and Design Meet*”), an event that is part of the programme of the EVOLUTIO exhibition being hosted by the Group until May 3 at the Leonardo da Vinci National Museum of Science and Technology in Milan.

Also taking part in the today’s event alongside Pietro Salini were Maria Porro, President of the Salone del Mobile di Milano; Mario Cucinella, founder of MCA – Mario Cucinella Architects; Francesco Zurlo, Dean of the School of Design at the Politecnico di Milano university; Antonio Calabrò, President of Museimpresa; and Guido Guerzoni, Professor of Museum Management at Bocconi University.

To meet this global challenge, “Webuild acts as the leader of a structured supply chain that brings together 17,500 companies to form a true ‘travelling industrial district’, capable of exporting Italian know-how to major infrastructure projects at the global level. It can even be done in times of geopolitical instability, when large, complex projects represent a crucial counter-cyclical investment. This ecosystem of production goes beyond a price-only approach, focusing instead on quality, aesthetics, reliability and the ability to manage and deliver projects of extreme complexity.”

In this vision of shared growth, Webuild’s investments in training and safety become a common asset for the Group’s approximately 95,000 people, 22,000 of whom are in Italy, as well as for the supply chain. “Through a model that provides training via multiple schools, the Group ensures a generational transfer of unique technical skills, thereby addressing the mismatch between supply and demand for qualified labour,” Salini commented. This commitment is also reflected in a widespread safety culture: more than three million hours of training delivered between 2022 and 2025 have enabled the Group to become best- in-class globally in occupational health and safety, raising operational standards across the entire supply chain.

It is in this way that infrastructure becomes the foundation of civic life, capable of regenerating the urban fabric and enhancing historical heritage, as demonstrated by the Art Stations of Naples, the archeostations of Porta Metronia and Colosseo/Fori Imperiali along Line C of Rome Metro, and the discoveries uncovered during the construction of Milan’s M4 metro line. “By integrating cutting-edge research with the technical expertise of master builders, Italy can continue to deliver projects that are not only functional, but also contemporary landmarks designed to stand the test of time,” Salini concluded.

Webuild is a global leader in the construction of large, complex infrastructure, with a focus on sustainable mobility, hydropower, water treatment and supply, and green buildings. It has long been recognised as the world’s top contractor in the water infrastructure sector. Active in approximately 50 countries, the Group employs some 95,000 people directly and indirectly of over 125 nationalities.



With 120 years of history and over 3,700 completed projects, Webuild boasts a track record that includes 13,686 kilometres of railways, 895 kilometres of metros, 82,708 kilometres of roads and highways, 1,023 kilometres of bridges and viaducts, 3,466 kilometres of tunnels, and 320 dams and hydropower plants. Among its most iconic delivered projects are the Grand Ethiopian Renaissance Dam, the expansion of the Panama Canal, the Long Beach International Gateway in the United States, the Second Bosphorus Bridge in Turkey, the Riachuelo environmental restoration system in Argentina, and new metro lines in cities such as Copenhagen, Paris, Rome, Milan, Naples, Doha, Thessaloniki, and Riyadh. Among those under construction are strategic public works in Italy, such as the New Genoa Breakwater, the Brenner Base Tunnel, the Pedemontana Lombarda Highway, Rome Metro's Line C, sections of high-speed and/or high-capacity railways between Genoa and Milan, Verona and Padua, Naples and Bari, and Palermo, Catania and Messina. Abroad, there is the Snowy 2.0 hydropower scheme in Australia and key sections of the Grand Paris Express in France. As of December 31, 2025, the Group reported total revenues of €13.6 billion and a total order backlog of €58.4 billion, with over 95% of the construction backlog aligned with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. Webuild is headquartered in Italy and subject to the direction and coordination of Salini Costruttori S.p.A. Listed on the Milan Stock Exchange (WBD; WBD.MI; WBD:IM), its stock is included in the MIB ESG index of Italy's leading blue-chip companies for ESG practices.

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