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## WEBUILD, IN CONSORTIUM, WINS SOTRA ROAD, BRIDGE NETWORK VALUED AT MORE THAN €1 BLN WEBUILD PROCEEDS WITH EXPANSION DRIVE IN NORTHERN EUROPE AND PPP PROJECTS AND NEW ORDERS REACH €10.6 BLN YEAR TO DATE

*MILAN, September 8, 2021* – Webuild, part of the Sotra Link consortium, has won a contract worth more than €1 billion (NOK 10 billion) to build and manage the RV.555 Sotra Connection PPP Project, a network of roads, tunnels, bridges and viaducts in the western Norwegian county of Vestland. Webuild has a 35% stake in the Sotra Link construction consortium that will be responsible for the design and construction of the project, and a 10% stake in the special purpose vehicle that will operate and maintain the network. The financial closing is expected in the first quarter of 2022.

The contract will bring to  $\leq 10.6$  billion the total value of new orders that Webuild has acquired, is in the process of finalising, or for which it has become the preferred bidder so far this year, in addition to the  $\leq 13$ -billion contract to build the first high-speed railway in Texas.

Commissioned by the Norwegian Public Roads Administration (NPRA), the project is one of Norway's major projects, as well as one of the biggest to be done under a public-private partnership as the country invests in improving its infrastructure. it includes the design, construction, financing and management under concession a road network that includes 9 kilometres of highway and a suspension bridge between Øygarden and Bergen. The bridge will be 30 metres wide and 900 metres long and towers 114 metres high. The project also includes a total of 12.5 kilometres of tunnels, 19 road and pedestrian underpasses, 23 tunnel portals, 22 bridges and viaducts and 14 kilometres of pedestrian and bicycle path.

"Norway is a strategic market for Webuild," said Pietro Salini, Chief Executive of Webuild. "We have been in Norway for more than 15 years and we have been able to see that the values that make up our Group's DNA – such as innovation, sustainability and inclusion – are founding values for the country that hosts us. This sharing of values, in addition to the Norwegian government's push to invest in infrastructure and digitalisation, has us view Norway as an ideal partner, a partner we want to work with and a country where we want to invest for the long term. We want to put our expertise at the service of the country with a project like Rv555, which we are convinced will be an opportunity for us to grow along with the entire supply chain with which we will work on the project."

Webuild is a global leader in the infrastructure sector with a presence in 50 countries and a track record that includes the construction of more than 80,000 kilometres of roads and highways, the excavation of more than 2,000 kilometres of tunnels and the construction of bridges for a combined length of nearly 1,000 kilometres. The Group has built approximately 300 road and railway projects with bridges and viaducts, including the Genova San Giorgio Bridge in Genoa, an iconic structure that posed as an engineering challenge to be completed in a little more than a year. The Group also delivered the bridge and viaduct for Sydney Metro Northwest in Australia and the third bridge over the Bosphorus in Turkey. In Norway, Webuild is working on an upgrade of a 13.6-kilometre section of a rail line between the towns of Nykirke and Barkaker south of Oslo.

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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, clean hydro energy, clean water, green buildings, supporting clients in achieving sustainable development goals (SDGs). The Group is the expression of 115 years of engineering experience applied in 50 countries on five continents with 70,000





direct and indirect employees from more than 100 nationalities. Recognised for five years by Engineering News-Record (ENR) as the world leader in water infrastructure (such as dams, hydraulic tunnels, water and wastewater management, and water treatment and desalination plants), it ranks since 2018 among the top 10 in the environment sector and it is also leader in sustainable mobility (especially metro and rail lines, in addition to roads and bridges). A signatory of the United Nations Global Compact, the Group's expertise is displayed in projects such as the M4 metro line in Milan, Grand Paris Express, Cityringen in Copenhagen, Sydney Metro Northwest, Red Line North Underground in Doha, Line 3 of the Riyadh Metro and the high-speed railways in Italy. Other projects include the new Genoa Bridge and the Gerald Desmond replacement bridge in Long Beach, California, the expansion of the Panama Canal, the Snowy 2.0 hydroelectric power station in Australia, the Rogun hydroelectric dam in Tajikistan, the Anacostia River and Northeast Boundary tunnels in Washington, D.C. and the Al Bayt 2022 World Cup stadium in Qatar. In 2020, the Group's total order backlog reached €41.7 billion, with 89% of the backlog of construction orders involving projects that support the SDGs set by the United Nations. Webuild, subject to direction and coordination by Salini Costruttori SpA, 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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