

PRESS RELEASE

A WEBUILD-LED CONSORTIUM HAS WON A NEW CONTRACT FOR THE EXTENSION OF RIYADH METRO'S RED LINE IN SAUDI ARABIA

THE GROUP ESTABLISHES ITSELF ONCE AGAIN AS A LEADING PLAYER IN ONE OF THE WORLD'S LARGEST INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS FOR URBAN MOBILITY

- *Webuild leads the international Consortium that will build 8.4 km of the new metro line, almost all of them underground, as well as five metro stations*
- *The Webuild Group has been present in the Saudi Kingdom since 1966, where it has already completed more than 90 projects, including metro lines, hospitals and desalination plants*

RIYADH, January 13, 2026 – The Royal Commission for Riyadh City (RCRC) has awarded the contract for the extension of Riyadh Metro's Red Line to the Webuild-led Consortium, which includes as well India's L&T, Saudi Arabia's NESMA and France's ALSTOM.

The project covers the design and construction of an 8.4 km new driverless metro line, 1.3 km of which will be on viaduct and the remaining 7.1 km in tunnels. It also includes five stations – three of which are underground, as well as the signaling systems. A Tunnel Boring Machine (TBM) will be used for the excavation of the tunnel section.

The Red Line extension project is part of the Guinness World Records longest driverless Metro Network which was rolled out by RCRC. Part of the project scope is to integrate the new section with the whole system of 6 driverless lines launched in Riyadh last December, which covers 176 km and is one of the most ambitious infrastructure projects in the world.

The new section in the Saudi metro will add two more metro stations to King Saud University. In addition, it will serve new developments in the city of Riyadh and, in particular, will connect the existing Red Line and the rest of the Metro network with Diriyah, the first Saudi capital and a UNESCO World Heritage site, for which a major development project is underway to transform the area into a leading cultural and tourist center for the region, preserving its Najd heritage and architecture.

The Webuild Group has been present in the Saudi Kingdom for a very long time, with the first works initiated in 1966. In Riyadh, the Group is working on several projects, such as a fully underground complex structure housing 10,500 parking spaces for the Diriyah Gate Development Authority. Other completed projects include the Kingdom Center in Riyadh – which received the 2002 Emporis Skyscraper Award as the world's best designed skyscraper –, more than 70 healthcare facilities, and the Shoaiba-3 desalination plant, built by Fisia Italimpianti, the Group's subsidiary specializing in water treatment and desalination.

Webuild boasts a solid experience in the metro sector, with the Group having built already more than 890 km of new lines globally. The most recent inaugurations include two new archeostations on Rome Metro Line C, Porta Metronia and Colosseo/Fori Imperiali; the final section of Milan's M4 metro line; and the Thessaloniki metro, the first driverless metro line in Greece. Major ongoing projects include Line 15 West and Line 16 of the Grand Paris Express in France; Line 2 and Line 4 of the Lima Metro in Peru; the Sydney Metro–Western



Sydney International Airport in Australia. In Italy, the Group is finalizing the Capodichino station on Naples Metro Line 1 and has recently been awarded the contract to build the new Line 10 of the Naples Metro.

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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