

## **ASTALDI: NEW ROAD CONTRACT IN OMAN**

Astaldi to build the first section of the BidBid-Sur Road in Oman for a total value of USD 324 million

Rome, 11 March 2011 – Astaldi Group, in partnership with the Turkish company, Ozkar Insaat, has been awarded a contract in Oman worth OMR 125 million – equivalent to approximately USD 324 million (Astaldi holds a 51% stake).

The new contract involves the construction of 42 kilometres of new motorway and refers to the first phase (Lot 1 - *Package* 1A) of the project to double the BidBid-Sur road, one of the main stretches of Oman's road network which links the capital to the Country's eastern regions.

Works are planned to be started-up over the coming months and the planned duration is just over three years.

The project has been commissioned by the Sultanate's Ministry of Transport and Communications.

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Listed in the STAR segment of the Italian stock exchange, Astaldi Group has been active for more than 80 years, in Italy and abroad, in designing and constructing large-scale civil engineering works.

The Group works mainly in the following areas:

- transport infrastructures (railways, undergrounds, roads, motorways, ports, and airports);
- hydraulic works and energy production plants (dams, hydroelectric plants, waterworks, oil pipelines, gas pipelines, nuclear power stations and treatment plants);
- civil and industrial construction (hospitals, universities, airports, law courts, car parks);
- management under concession of works such as healthcare facilities, transport infrastructures and car parks.

Astaldi Group currently operates as a General Contractor capable of promoting financial aspects and coordinating all resources and skills for the optimal development and management of complex and high-value public works.

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