

## THE PRIME MINISTER MATTEO RENZI VISITS ASTALDI'S SITE WORKING FOR THE THIRD BOSPHORUS BRIDGE

*Istanbul, 12 December 2014* – The Prime Minister Matteo Renzi paid a visit to Istanbul, Turkey today, to the Astaldi site, working on the Third Bosphorus Bridge. The bridge will be the widest bridge with the tallest Ashaped pylons in the world.

During the visit, **Matteo Renzi** said: "I would like to compliment you on what you are doing. I feel it is moving to work to keep Europe and Asia united with a construction of an extremely high technological value".

Paolo Astaldi, Chairman of Astaldi Group, stated: "We are extremely proud that our work in Turkey has been acknowledged and appreciated by the Italian Prime Minister. In addition to enhancing the value of our international activities, the Prime Minister's visit sends a positive signal on the vitality and potential of Italian businesses to contribute to Italy's recovery. I would like to thank Prime Minister Renzi for the attention he has reserved today for our Group and the hundreds of people employed every day in making available their knowhow for growth and progress."

Astaldi Group, which has operated in Turkey since 1986 and is the 3<sup>rd</sup> contractor worldwide for turnover generated in the bridges segment, has become one of the leading players in the infrastructures sector in Turkey. It is currently involved in the performance of key projects. In the medium-term, Astaldi and its local partners will also complete the construction of 500 km of motorway network and of the largest hospital complex in Europe, in addition to the Third Bosphorus Bridge.



Paolo Astaldi, Chairman of Astaldi Group, and Matteo Renzi



Third Bosphorus Bridge, Astaldi site, Turkey



Paolo Astaldi, Chairman of Astaldi Group

ASTALDI GROUP is one of the main General Contractors in Italy and among the top 25 at a European level in the construction sector, where it also operates as a sponsor of project finance initiatives. It has been active at an international level for 90 years, developing complex and integrated projects in the field of design, construction and management of public infrastructures and major civil engineering works, mostly in the following segments: transport infrastructures, energy production plants, civil and industrial construction and plant engineering. It has been listed on the Stock Exchange since 2002 and holds 92<sup>nd</sup> position in the listings of global contractors. It ended 2013 with an order backlog of over EUR 13 billion and a turnover of more than EUR 2.5 billion. It boasts more than 9,600 employees working in Italy, Central Europe (Poland, Romania and Russia), Turkey, the Middle East (Saudi Arabia), Africa (Algeria), Latin America (Venezuela, Peru, Chile and Central America), and North America (Canada and the USA).

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