

PRESS RELEASE

**ANSALDOBREDA AND BOMBARDIER  
TOGETHER IN THE BID FOR NEW HIGH-SPEED TRAINS**

**Rome, 3 December 2009** - The super-fast, eco-friendly train that is to take part to the tender announced by Trenitalia will be built entirely by AnsaldoBreda (Finmeccanica Group) and Bombardier. The two companies were invited to bid for the tender, which is for 50 high-speed trains. The new train will travel at more than 300 km/h and will consume up to 50% less fuel than the high-speed trains currently in service, thanks to new environmentally-friendly technology.

The new train – that will be produced at AnsaldoBreda's Pistoia facility and at Bombardier Vado Ligure (Savona) facility - will fully optimise operational efficiency and fuel consumption, and will be a synthesis of the AnsaldoBreda and Bombardier technological platforms. The platforms that will be combined to create the first Italian high-speed train are the V300, a development of AnsaldoBreda's V250 series, selected by the Dutch and Belgian railways, and ZEFIRO, Bombardier's high-speed train, 80 of which were recently ordered by Chinese railways, and which can reach a commercial speed of 380 km/h, the fastest in the world.

*"It gives us great satisfaction to receive an invitation to tender from Trenitalia," explained **Salvatore Bianconi**, CEO of AnsaldoBreda, a Finmeccanica Group Company, "because it confirms the quality of our products and the achievements we have made, as well as the quality of the industrial processes that our Company is implementing. Today, AnsaldoBreda can compete with the major operators in the high-speed sector."*

*"We will provide Trenitalia with the latest high-speed technology. We are working to ensure that the new train can play a fundamental role in the development of Italy's high-speed network," said **Roberto Tazzioli**, chairman and CEO of Bombardier Transportation Italy. "It will be a fast and reliable train, offering operating efficiency and good value in terms of fuel consumption and running costs. It will also be more comfortable than any other form of rail transport."*

**Note for editors:**

**AnsaldoBreda**

AnsaldoBreda, a Finmeccanica Company, is leader in the mass transport sector. The Company was created by the merger of a division of Ansaldo Trasporti with Breda Costruzioni Ferroviarie, one of the world's leading manufacturing companies. It produces technologically-advanced vehicles for rail and metro networks, locomotives for various types of transport, high-speed trains, and metro and suburban trains, which lead the field in both the electrical and mechanical parts. AnsaldoBreda employs approximately 2,500 staff directly spread among its plants in Naples, Pistoia, Reggio Calabria and Palermo. It has operational divisions in France, Denmark, Norway, Spain and in the US, with AnsaldoBreda Inc. Over the years, it has acquired a large client portfolio, and its products are used on four continents. Manchester, Washington, Copenhagen, Lille, Oslo, Atlanta, San Francisco, Boston, Birmingham, Los Angeles, Ankara, Madrid, Athens, Thessaloniki, Rome, and Milan are just some of the cities in the world that have selected its vehicles. By designing complete vehicles, the company develops new products and upgrades existing ones, using plants and equipment that put it at the leading edge in its business.

## **Finmeccanica**

Finmeccanica plays a leading role in the global aerospace and defence industry, and participates in some of the sector's biggest international programmes through its Group Companies thanks to well-established alliances with European and USA partners. A leader in the design and manufacture of helicopters, defence and security electronics, civil and military aircraft, aerostructures, satellites, space infrastructure and defence systems, Finmeccanica is Italy's leading high-tech Company. It also boasts significant manufacturing assets and skills in the transport and energy sectors; it is listed on the Milan stock market and operates via a number of Group Companies and joint ventures. It has around 73,000 employees, with more than 12,600 working in the USA, about 10,000 in the UK and over 3,600 in France. As part of its drive to maintain and build on its technological excellence, Finmeccanica spends 12% of its revenues on research and development.

## **Bombardier Transportation in Italy**

Bombardier Transportation in Italy is one of the largest manufacturers of rolling stock, and is involved in the country's most important rail projects. These include: the TRAXX F 140 DC locomotive, presented in Vado Ligure, the exclusive manufacturing plant for this latest arrival to the TRAXX family; Trenitalia's various types of electric locomotives; the high-speed ETR500 (as a member of the Trevi consortium); the passenger shuttle at Fiumicino Airport; the Milan and Palermo trams; the propulsion system for the new vehicles of the Rome metro, and the traffic management system in various parts of Italy's rail network (SCMT). The group employs approximately 700 people in Italy; of these, 500 are employed at the Vado Ligure facility, founded in 1905, and where more than 1,500 locomotives have been built to date. The remaining 200 staff work in the engineering centre in Rome, dedicated to the development of the rail control system, signalling equipment and rail traffic management system.

## **Bombardier Transportation**

Bombardier Transportation is based in Berlin, and is present in more than 60 countries. It has 100,000 vehicles in operation worldwide. The group has a huge portfolio of products, and is recognised as a world leader in the rail sector.

## **Bombardier**

Bombardier Inc. is a multinational company based in Canada. It is a global leader in innovative transport solutions for aircraft (regional transport to tourist aircraft) and trains (systems and services). Its revenues for the financial year ended 31 January 2009 were USD 19.7 billion. The company is listed on the Toronto stock market (BBD) and on the Dow Jones Sustainability World and North America indices. Further information is available at [www.bombardier.com](http://www.bombardier.com) and [www.theclimateisrightfortrains.com](http://www.theclimateisrightfortrains.com).

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