

12th November 2024

### Madrid, Spain

# Egis strengthens its positioning in the world of sport by acquiring FIA (Fenwick Iribarren Architects)

Egis, a world leader in engineering, architecture, consulting, maintenance and operation, has announced the acquisition of FIA, founded by architects Mark Fenwick and Javier Iribarren. This strategic acquisition strengthens Egis' position and ambition in the sports and entertainment sector through consulting and design for major future global sporting events.

FIA, is a Madrid-based design practice founded in 1990, specializing in the design, rehabilitation, and consultancy of sports and events architecture. FIA boasts an impressive track record through their innovative approach to low-carbon design and fabrication of iconic stadiums which has made it a reference designer for UEFA (Union of European Football Associations).

Egis has extensive experience in sports infrastructure throughout the world and has provided more than 1,000,000 seats in sports facilities, such as the *Stade Vélodrome* in Marseille (France) or the Paul Biya Sports Complex in Olembe (Cameroon).

This acquisition by Egis in Spain will not only allow Egis to expand its portfolio of services and offer its clients comprehensive solutions in the sports sector but will also strengthen its presence in Europe and worldwide by creating synergies with the competences of Egis Group and the Egis Architecture line.

FIA is one of the world's top stadium design firms, with more than 40 awards to its name. They designed and built three of the eight stadiums for the 2022 World Cup in Qatar, a true feat for any architectural firm in a World Cup. With more than 20 years of experience in sports architecture, their expertise led to the creation of the most innovative stadium ever built for a World Cup – the first demountable structure, made of reusable transport containers, Stadium 974, and the first cooling system in an open-air stadium, Education City Stadium.

"Joining the Egis Group and Egis' Architecture Line is a great opportunity to take our company to the next level and to develop the potential of our teams in synergy with the technical capabilities of Egis and its architectural firms, particularly in the world of sport with a sustainable approach: a shared vision of both companies". Mark Fenwick and Javier Iribarren, FIA Senior Partners.

"We are delighted to welcome FIA to Egis' Architecture Line. Their extraordinary talent, innovative mindset and commitment to excellence and sustainability align perfectly with our goals. We look forward to working with FIA to deliver inspiring, state-of-the-art sports facilities across the world which enhance the athlete and fan experience", said Thomas Salvant, Director of Energy & Sustainable Cities at Egis.

### **About Egis**

## IMAGINER. CONCEVOIR. CONCRÉTISER.

Egis is an international player active in architecture, consulting, construction engineering and mobility services. We create and operate intelligent infrastructures and buildings that respond to the climate emergency and contribute to more balanced, sustainable, and resilient territorial development.

Operating in 100 countries, Egis puts the expertise of its 19,500 employees at the service of its clients and develops cutting-edge innovations accessible to all projects. Through its wide range of activities, Egis is a key player in the collective organization of society and the living environment of citizens all over the world.

<u>Linkedin: Egis | Instagram: @egisgroup | Twitter: @egis | Facebook: @egisgroup</u>

#### **Press contacts**

### **Isabelle Mayrand**

Chief Public Affairs and Corporate Communication Officer +33 (0)6 17 10 29 70 isabelle.mayrand@egis-group.com

#### **Juliette Poisson**

Communications and press relations officer +33 (06) 72 10 13 06 juliette.poisson@egis-group.com

www.egis-group.com

