



Press Release

**EIB APPROVES €500M LINE OF CREDIT FOR AUTOSTRADA PER L'ITALIA  
FIRST €250M TRANCHE ALREADY AGREED**

Rome, 26 July 2012 – The European Investment Bank (EIB) has approved a €500m line of credit for Autostrade per l'Italia. The first €250m tranche of the loan, agreed today, is to be used to finance the upgrade of the Florence North-Barberino del Mugello section of motorway. The loan will mature in March 2034 with repayments starting from 2017.

*“We are pleased that the EIB views us as a reliable and creditworthy partner, capable of channelling European funds to Italy in order to boost the competitiveness of the country's industrial sector and ensure an adequate level of construction activity over the short term”,* commented Giovanni Castellucci, CEO of Atlantia.

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