

## **Leonardo to be Cortina 2021 Alpine World Ski Championships technology partner**

- **Leonardo will once again help to ensure the safety and smooth running of a major sporting event, which will see over 600 athletes from 70 countries**
- **The company has a successful track record in securing international events, ranging from Italy's Milan Expo 2015 to multiple editions of the Winter Olympic Games and inter-governmental events such as G7 and G8 summits**
- **Alessandro Profumo, CEO of Leonardo: "Advanced technology will unite with sporting excellence at this important event. Leonardo's solutions will contribute to the safe delivery of Cortina 2021, ensuring the highest level of protection while also improving the quality of the experience for athletes, fans and the local community. The event will be a global showcase, highlighting Italy's resilience in the face of crisis and stimulating future projects that will see the country increasingly united, confident and focused on the future"**

**Rome, 10 September 2020** – Leonardo has announced its selection as the Technical Partner of the Cortina 2021 FIS Alpine World Ski Championships, to be held in Cortina d'Ampezzo, Belluno in February 2021. The partnership agreement, signed with Fondazione Cortina 2021, reinforces Leonardo's position as a market leader in the provision of security technology and expertise for major events.

Leonardo, a world leader in security, aerospace and defence, will provide a comprehensive package including video surveillance and advanced video analysis for all Cortina 2021 venues, which will deliver data collection, analysis and classification in real time. Secure and reliable radio communications systems will also be provided, ensuring the effective coordination of security activities and emergency response plans. The project will also include the provision of training, operational support and technical assistance.

"Cortina 2021 and Leonardo share a culture of integrity underpinned by innovation and sustainability. These are the foundations on which we build shared value, while protecting the social, environmental and economic interests of the communities with which we work", said

**Leonardo**, a global high-technology company, is among the top ten world players in Aerospace, Defence and Security and Italy's main industrial company. Organized into five business divisions, Leonardo has a significant industrial presence in Italy, the United Kingdom, Poland and the USA, where it also operates through subsidiaries such as Leonardo DRS (defense electronics), and joint ventures and partnerships: ATR, MBDA, Telespazio, Thales Alenia Space and Avio. Leonardo competes in the most important international markets by leveraging its areas of technological and product leadership (Helicopters, Aircraft, Aerostructures, Electronics, Cyber Security and Space). Listed on the Milan Stock Exchange (LDO), in 2019 Leonardo recorded consolidated revenues of €13.8 billion and invested €1.5 billion in Research and Development. The Group has been part of the Dow Jones Sustainability Index (DJSI) since 2010 and became Industry leader of Aerospace & Defence sector of DJSI in 2019.

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Valerio Giacobbi, CEO of Fondazione Cortina 2021 said “Leonardo is the ideal partner to help us effectively organize this great upcoming event. We chose the company for its ability to dependably provide protection that meets our very high standards. By working with Leonardo we will be able to achieve an important goal, to deliver a unique event where high-tech security will play a central role.”

Leonardo has previously served as technology partner for a number of other major events, providing security at the 2017 G7 summit in Taormina, the 2015 Milan Expo, the 2009 G8 summit in L’Aquila, and for large-scale sporting occasions including the 2018 and 2014 Commonwealth Games, 2014 Olympic Winter Games in Sochi, 2013 World Cycling Championship and 2006 Olympic Winter Games in Turin.