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## **PRESS RELEASE**

# **ALPINE successfully completes “Big Lift” of the roof’s cable construction at the Warsaw National Stadium**

- **Lifting of the roof’s cable construction is the most difficult construction section**
- **Poland’s head of government Donald Tusk commends construction progress**

**Warsaw / Eching:** The lifting of the roof’s cable construction called “Big Lift” is the most difficult operation in the construction of the Warsaw National Stadium. 18 months before the opening match of the European Soccer Championship EURO 2012™, ALPINE Bau Deutschland AG a company of the ALPINE Bau GmbH completes this important milestone and is on schedule in finalizing this project on time.

Poland’s head of government, Donald Tusk, attended this event. He personally inspected the progress at this ALPINE construction site. He was very certain when he afterwards assured: “There is no doubt that we will complete this project on time”.

### **The roof’s cable construction**

The stadium’s entire roof cable construction rests on a “needle” which is its central supporting element. This “needle” has a length of 70 metres and a dead weight of some 90 tons. 72 cables attached to this “needle” were used to gradually lift the wiring. These cables have a total length of 70 km and a weight of more than 2,100 tons. The bottom of the “needle” hangs some 30 metres above the playing field. More than 200 persons were involved in successfully completing this “Big Lift”.

### **The stadium**

The Warsaw National Stadium provides about 55,000 seats and will be completed in summer 2011. On September 6, 2011, the new arena will be officially opened with a friendly match between Poland and the German national soccer team.

### **ALPINE – Experience in stadium construction**

ALPINE provides the highest possible competence in the handling of national and international stadium and large-scale projects. In 2009, ALPINE won contracts for the construction of stadiums in Gdansk and Warsaw as well as for the extension of the stadium in Poznan for EURO 2012™. ALPINE also modernized the MKS Stadium Cracovia in Krakow, Poland.



### **ALPINE Bau Deutschland AG**

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Pictures:

Picture 1: The Warsaw National Stadium

Caption: Lifting the roof's cable construction called "Big Lift" is the most difficult operation for ALPINE in the construction of the Warsaw National Stadium.

Picture 2: from left: Donald Tusk, Poland's head of government, Hanna Gronkiewicz-Waltz, city president of Warsaw/Poland

Caption: Poland's head of government, Donald Tusk, personally inspected the progress of the Warsaw National Stadium at this ALPINE construction site. He was very certain when he afterwards assured: "There is no doubt that we will complete this project on time".

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