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# The ORA Consortium, led by RATP Dev, wins the contract to operate and maintain Line 15 South of the *Grand Paris Express* public transit network

Paris, July 18, 2023 - The Board of Directors of Île-de-France Mobilités (IdFM), the public transit authority of the Greater Paris region, has awarded the contract to operate and maintain Line 15 South of the *Grand Paris Express* to the international ORA Consortium which comprises RATP Dev as majority shareholder, Alstom, and ComfortDelGro.

The new automated metro line will cover 33 kilometers, pass through 22 municipalities, and serve 16 stations in the Greater Paris region. It is scheduled to enter service in late 2025. The six-year contract, which can be extended to nine years, includes operation of the automated metro trains, stations, and centralized control center, as well as the maintenance and upkeep of the rolling stock. The consortium's scope of action will also include management of the passenger relations and traveler information system.

# Line 15: a vital artery of the Grand Paris Express network

Line 15 will be the central link in the *Grand Paris Express*, an ambitious project to extend the Greater Paris region's public transit network with over 200 kilometers of new metro lines. Upon completion, Line 15 will form a 75 km circular line around Paris, linking 45 municipalities and carrying over 1.5 million passengers every day.

The ORA Consortium, led by RATP Dev, will support the entry into service of Line 15 South, its first 33-kilometer section.

## International expertise in the operation and maintenance of automated metro systems

As a global operator of urban and intercity transportation systems, and an expert in the operation and maintenance of automated metros, RATP Dev will coordinate the ORA Consortium's activities with the aim of supporting the entry into service of an important line for the residents of the Greater Paris region, thus confirming the region as a global reference for automated metros.

Thanks to its experience in managing complex interfaces, RATP Dev will coordinate all operation and maintenance activities in the contract. "This extension of a historic public transit network will transform the daily lives of millions of residents in the inner and outer suburbs of Paris, and contribute to the efficient interconnection of several districts in the region. Alongside our partners, we will put RATP Dev's recognized expertise in the operation of automated metros at the service of Île-de-France Mobilités and the people of the Greater Paris region, providing a travel experience focused on service quality," states Hiba Farès, CEO of RATP Dev.







# The ORA Consortium: three global leaders in transportation and mobility

RATP Dev is recognized by transportation authorities across the world for its design and operation of large-scale automated metro projects, and management of complex interfaces. Recent references include Belgrade, Serbia (design phase), Riyadh, Saudi Arabia and Sydney, Australia (project phase), and Doha, Qatar (operation).

For the entry into service of Line 15 South, RATP Dev will rely on the expertise of Alstom, a pioneer in sustainable and smart mobility solutions and a leader in predictive maintenance, to see to the maintenance of the rolling stock: "This contract marks a new collaboration with the RATP group and we are delighted to be joining forces with RATP Dev and ComfortDelGro for this project. Alstom is proud to have the opportunity to bring to line 15 its latest innovations in digital and predictive maintenance, already deployed in Sydney, Dubai and Montreal. Combined with Alstom's international expertise in automated metros and transport system maintenance, they will guarantee passengers a reliable and efficient service", adds Jean-Baptiste Eyméoud, President of Alstom France.

For its part, ComfortDelGro, renowned for its first-rate customer service in the Singapore metro, will contribute its best practices and expertise in the passenger experience, service standards, and team training to ensure high-quality care and attention.

ComfortDelGro's Managing Director and Group CEO, Cheng Siak Kian, says: "At ComfortDelGro, one of our key strengths lies in providing a delightful and inclusive commuting experience for our customers. We are therefore pleased to contribute our expertise in partnership with RATP Dev and Alstom to deliver a safe, reliable and caring commuting experience to the residents of the Île-de-France region."

The awarding of the contract for Line 15 South reflects the relentless commitment of all our teams over the last three years, and the confidence of Île-de-France Mobilités in the expertise of RATP Dev and its partners.

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## **About RATP Dev**

Founded in 2002, RATP Dev operates and maintains urban transportation systems in 15 countries on five continents (France, the United Kingdom, Italy, Switzerland, Belgium, Serbia, Algeria, Morocco, Egypt, South Africa, Saudi Arabia, Qatar, the Hong Kong SAR of China, the Philippines, Australia, and the United States of America). Day after day, RATP Dev demonstrates its extensive and renowned expertise by offering mobility services across the entire transportation spectrum, ranging from rail, regional express rail, tramway, bus to water bus, cable car, and sightseeing tour bus. RATP Dev draws on the technical expertise and experience of the RATP group, the leader in driverless mobility, tramway services, and operator of the Paris multimodal network, one of the largest transportation networks in the world, to develop its activities in France and internationally.

#### **About Alstom**

Alstom commits to contribute to a low carbon future by developing and promoting innovative and sustainable transportation solutions that people enjoy riding. From high-speed trains, metros, monorails, trams, to turnkey systems, services, infrastructure, signalling and digital mobility, Alstom offers its diverse customers the broadest portfolio in the industry. With its presence in 63 countries and a talent base of over 80,000 people from 175 nationalities, the company focuses its design, innovation, and project management skills to where mobility solutions are needed most. Listed in France, Alstom generated revenues of €16.5 billion for the fiscal year ending on 31 March 2023

The Group employs some 12,000 people in France, who are the custodians of know-how designed to serve both French and international customers. Approximately 30,000 jobs are generated in France by its 4,500 French suppliers. For more information, please visit www.alstom.com.

#### **About ComfortDelGro**

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