

## Press Release

## The City of Belgrade renews its "Early Operator Assistance" contract with RATP Dev for the Belgrade automated metro system

Paris, April 9, 2024 - The City of Belgrade has renewed its contract with RATP Dev for "Early Operator Assistance" for the upcoming three lines of the Belgrade metro system. Since April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024 RATP Dev, the international subsidiary of RATP Group, supports the City of Belgrade's Secretariat for Public Transport and BMV (Beogradski Metro i Voz) by leveraging its leading global expertise in automated metro systems and high-capacity networks.

Following the signing of a "Memorandum of Understanding" in September 2023 between the City of Belgrade and RATP Dev, this new "Early Operator Assistance" contract enables RATP Dev and BMV to strengthen their long-standing cooperation and ensure that the future Belgrade metro system meets the highest international standards.

As part of the agreement, RATP Dev will contribute its extensive international operator experience and expertise to review and advise on the functional design and specifications of the future metro system. This assistance focuses on operations and maintenance, safety, passenger experience, and life cycle cost optimization.

"We are grateful for BMV's and the City of Belgrade's renewed trust. We will continue to work hand in hand to design the right metro system, so as to ensure that Belgrade's future public transport network is effective, dependable, and attractive. We are contributing our integrated expertise in operations and maintenance as well as our global experts to advance BMV's vision and serve the City and its communities" states **Hiba Farès, CEO of RATP Dev.** 

Belgrade's fully automated metro project is the largest and most important infrastructure undertaking of the Republic of Serbia today. The planned metro network comprises Line 1 (21.8 km, 21 stations), Line 2 (24.2 km, 26 stations,) and Line 3 (23 km, 22 stations).

In Belgrade, RATP Dev is dedicated to supporting the city's vision and goals for the new metro project, thanks to its vast community of experts in urban rail transport. With unrivalled experience in greenfield rail network design and the management of complex projects, RATP Dev can assist cities everywhere – from Paris to Sydney, from Riyadh to Lyon. The company is

also determined to train and upskill local teams, as part of its commitment to the communities where it operates.

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RATP Dev is a subsidiary of RATP Group, the third-largest global operator of urban transport. Every day around the world, we oversee the design, operation and maintenance of networks that range from automated metros to buses, trams and other modes of public transport.

Backed by 70 years of expertise gained from operating the ultra-dense Paris network, as well as the diverse experience acquired in various regions and cultures worldwide, we offer our clients and their passengers custom-fit mobility solutions that cater to individual cities' inherently unique challenges.

Our 24,000 employees, located in 15 countries and working in over 100 subsidiaries, are passionate, determined, ambitious and transparent in their commitment to carry passengers on their commute, connect communities, promote well thoughtout, meaningful innovation and contribute responsibly to economic and social development.

As public transport is the right way forward for the environment, communities, regions and everyday life, we commit every day to better city living.

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