



## **PRESS RELEASE**

## The Italian Council of State confirms the proper execution of the Tuscany region (Italy) Local Public Transport tender and offer from Autolinee Toscane

**Florence, Italy, 24 June 2021 -** The Italian Council of State issues its decision and confirms the Regional Administrative Court's April 2020 judgement.

This judgement not only confirms the final awarding of the contract announced in 2016 and the entirely proper execution of Autolinee Toscane's offer, but also underlines once again that the tender on all local public bus transport in the Tuscany Region was regular, legitimate, and properly orchestrated by the Regional Government. All suspension requests and the various appeals lodged by the competitor Mobit, over the past five years, both with the Regional Administrative Court and the Council of State, have thus been dismissed.

These five years of disputes have been detrimental to the residents of Tuscany, passengers of the bus networks, the Region and the 5,300 employees dragged into this dispute.

"Five years which have therefore delayed the delivery of a more functional, reorganised system, an integrated, easy and accessible ticketing system, effective maintenance and an optimised organisation with just one company rather than 22. Five years which could also have paved the way for more than 1,300 new buses to be introduced to our roads but which, instead, incurred €40m worth of additional costs for the Tuscany Region," explained François Mazza, Senior VP, RATP Dev Italia.

Autolinee Toscane, a subsidiary of RATP Dev, is more than ever committed to pressing ahead with its efforts regarding the transfer of assets and staff, in a bid to provide passengers in the Tuscany Region with a high-quality service.

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