

Saint-Malo selects RATP Dev to operate Malo Agglo Transport

On 16 May 2019 the elected representatives of the Saint-Malo conurbation awarded the contract to manage the Malo Agglo Transport (MAT) network to RATP Group subsidiary, RATP Dev. The new public service delegation will begin on 1 September 2019 for a five-year term. The contract should generate revenue exceeding 50 million euros in total.

The MAT network covers the eighteen municipalities of the Saint-Malo conurbation and transports over five million passengers per year. Effective 6 January 2020, the MAT network will feature fifteen bus lines for urban services, three high-frequency lines, three regulated lines and two neighbourhood lines. There will be six regular lines and one seasonal line for peri-urban services.

RATP Dev will restructure the MAT network in the course of the five-year contract and will reinvigorate the transport offering with more frequent, more direct, faster and better-connected buses featuring more passenger services. The emphasis will be on improving bus frequency and a wider range of hours of operation for regular lines. The entire network will be overhauled for shorter travel times and special access to leisure services with multiple lines serving the Aquamalo complex, the conurbation's new water leisure centre.

RATP Dev Executive Board President Laurence Batlle stated: "We are proud and honoured to launch a new partnership with Saint-Malo Agglomération on the MAT network. We will commit RATP Group know-how with full transparency, in particular in innovation and network restructuring, to ensure a simpler, faster mobility offering."

Jérôme Lavenier, the future director of the MAT network, and RATP Dev teams are already in place on site and are fully committed to ensuring a seamless transition for passengers and staff on 1 September 2019.

The new contract to manage the Saint-Malo conurbation's MAT network is further support for RATP Dev and RATP Group in their strategy to consolidate their position in conurbation networks in western France, where the group has been present and operating the Rennes bus station since 2012 along with Vannes (2017), Lorient (2018), Brest and Angers (starting on 1 July 2019).

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