

RATP Dev wins a new contract to operate the bus routes of the western Grand Paris Seine & Oise urban community and the Portes de l'Île-de-France community of municipalities

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On 11 February, the elected members of the Board of Directors of Île-de-France Mobilités announced their decision to entrust RATP Dev—a subsidiary of the RATP group—with the operation of the bus lines serving the west of the Grand Paris Seine & Oise urban community and the Portes de l'Île-de-France community of municipalities. This public service delegation will take effect from 1 August 2021 for a period of 8 years. RATP Dev will operate 64 regular routes, including two night buses and an on-demand transport service.

The bus network in the west of the Grand Paris Seine & Oise urban community and the Portes de l'Île-de-France community of municipalities serves an area with a population of nearly 195,000 and a growing number of jobs (58,000) and students. It is made up of Mantes-la-Jolie and surrounding urban areas, as well as a vast interurban area.

RATP Dev already operates the TAM and COMBUS bus networks for Île-de-France Mobilités through its subsidiaries TVM and CTVMI. It is now expanding its presence by taking over the routes previously operated by nine different companies. With this new public service delegation, RATP Dev is committed to significantly improving bus regularity and punctuality as well as passenger information relayed in real time.

One of the major challenges for RATP Dev will be to facilitate the entry into service of the RER E extension by anticipating the impacts on the region's economic development and the growth in demand for mobility.

A fleet of nearly 230 vehicles will be rolled out to accommodate 9 million passengers in the first year. RATP Dev is the contracting authority for the construction of a new Bus Operations Centre at Epône for NGV buses. The Bus Operations Centre in Mantes-la-Jolie will be refurbished to enable the energy transition of the rolling stock.

RATP Dev's teams are already fully mobilised and committed to ensuring a smooth transition for passengers and employees alike on 1 August.

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