Press release

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A contract worth €100 million in Egypt

Alstom to modernise the signalling systems on the regional railway line from Beni Suef to Asyut

Alstom has been awarded a contract worth €100 million¹ by Egyptian National Railways (ENR) to supply signalling equipment for the Beni Suef-Asyut line in Egypt. The contract also includes maintenance for five years. Delivery will start in 2016 and the system is due to be operational by January 2019.

The Beni Suef-Asyut regional railway line is 240 km-long. Alstom will provide Smartlock solution -its new Electronic Interlocking System (EIS)- to replace the existing electromechanical one, as well as a trackside equipment, a power supply and a telecommunication system. Alstom's solution will ensure safety for passengers while increasing the number of trains in circulation on the network by more than 80%.

The project is financed by the World Bank and was launched by Egypt's Ministry of Transport as part of an initiative to modernise signalling systems all over the ENR network, enhance operation and increase the level of safety to match international standards.

Gian-Luca Erbacci, Senior Vice President of Alstom Transport Middle East and Africa declared: "We are pleased to have been awarded this major project which will significantly increase traffic on the line while ensuring higher system availability and greater safety. Alstom has been supporting the country's railway projects for 30 years, including the Cairo metro, and aims to accompany the country for more projects to come".

A world leader in ERTMS technology, Alstom has secured contracts in 23 countries covering 12,000 km of track, including six of the world's eleven high-speed lines which have been fitted with the technology and are in full commercial service.

¹ Booked in Q3 of the current fiscal year





About Alstom

Alstom is a global leader in the world of power generation, power transmission and rail infrastructure and sets the benchmark for innovative and environmentally friendly technologies. Alstom builds the fastest train and the highest capacity automated metro in the world, provides turnkey integrated power plant solutions and associated services for a wide variety of energy sources, including hydro, nuclear, gas, coal and wind, and it offers a wide range of solutions for power transmission, with a focus on smart grids. The Group employs 93,000 people in around 100 countries. It had sales of over ϵ 20 billion and booked ϵ 21.5 billion in orders in 2013/14.

About Alstom Transport

A promoter of sustainable mobility, Alstom Transport develops and markets the most complete range of systems, equipment and services in the railway sector. Alstom Transport manages entire transport systems, including rolling stock, signalling, maintenance and modernization and infrastructure, and offers integrated solutions. Alstom Transport recorded sales of ϵ 5.9 billion in the fiscal year 2013/14. Alstom Transport is present in over 60 countries and employs around 28,300 people.

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