



# FIRST AUTOMATED METRO IN GREECE RUN BY ATM MILAN AND EGIS The French-Italian partnership wins the Thessaloniki tender worth 250 million euros.

*Milan, 26 June 2023* - On Friday 23<sup>th</sup> June, **Atm and Egis have won the tender for the management of the first automated metro in Greece, in the city of Thessaloniki.** 

The company THEMA, formed by Atm and Egis (51% and 49%, respectively), is the corporate entity entrusted with the contract by Hellenic Metro under the supervision of the Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure, for the management and maintenance of the new driverless line in Thessaloniki, which will be inaugurated in 2024.

The Italian-French group has won a contract lasting 11 years for a total economic value of 250 million euros, proving itself a player with great competitive capacity in the international arena, able to compete with other leading European companies.

Atm, a leader in public transport in Italy and with decades of experience in Europe and the Middle East, has acquired a prominent role of excellence on the global stage in the management of automated metros: since 2008 in Copenhagen, through Metro Service A/S, with lines 1, 2 and later 3 and 4 of the Cityring, in 2011 in Riyadh where it started the city's first line and since 2013 in Milan with the driverless M5 metro and later with the M4 connecting Linate airport to the city centre.

Egis is an international player active in the consulting, construction engineering and mobility services sectors. Egis is a world leader in tunnel operation, motorway and airport transport infrastructure operator with more than 30 operations and maintenance contracts in particularly complex environments. No. 1 in engineering in France, our Group is an expert in the field of urban guided transport and rail transport engineering, bringing together all skills: systems, automation, rolling stock, equipment safety, civil engineering, environment.

The new metro is now the most modern public work in the Hellenic Republic and the only *driverless* line built, serving the second largest Greek city by population, with over one million inhabitants. With an extension of almost 20 kilometres, it will become the main hub for internal city travel, also strategic for the connections with the rest of the country.

"We are very pleased with this important achievement - says Arrigo Giana, CEO of Atm - A further step in the international development of the Company, increasingly recognised abroad for its ability to manage complex mobility networks and systems".

"We are very proud to have been selected to be part of this iconic project. It recognizes the expertise of our teams in managing operation and maintenance contracts in the transport sector, as well as our engineering and asset management skills. It also confirms our long-standing local presence," says Renaud Beziade, CEO Consulting & Operations at Egis.

# The Thessaloniki Metro



The first line (red-colored) will cross the entire city on the east-west axis with **13 stops** from the Nea Elvetia terminus to the Thessaloniki railway station terminus, **an important interchange node with the railway network.** 

A **further extension is planned** with another 5 stations to connect the 25 Martiou stop with the south-eastern area of the city, ending at the Mirka station (extension of Kalamaria blue line).

Equipped with sophisticated control and maintenance systems, the metro provides a daily service from 5.30 am to 0.30 am (on Fridays and Saturdays the line may be open until 2 am) with 18 trains in the first phase, which will be increased to 33 to ensure service with the Kalamaria extension.

The project is completed by the **train depot** and the **hi-tech control and management operations room** located in the Pylaia area.

### The Atm Group

Atm is the public transport operator of the Milan Metropolitan Area (96 served municipalities - 3.2 million inhabitants). Since 2008, it has also been the reference public transport operator in Copenhagen.

It has been managing automatic metro systems for over 10 years, as well as traditional metros, buses, trams, and trolleybuses. In Milan, thanks to the work of 10,000 employees, the network has 30,000 daily surface and metro journeys covering over 1,600 kilometres.

The Group also designs and manages technologically advanced services and systems for smart and sustainable mobility through the Full Electric Plan, which envisages the complete conversion to electric buses and the construction of new technologically advanced facilities. Atm's know-how covers the entire value of transport and mobility services: engineering (design, definition, optimisation of transport networks), operations of all transport modes and maintenance.

# The Egis Group

Egis is an international player active in the consulting, construction engineering and mobility service sectors. We design and operate intelligent infrastructure and buildings capable of responding to the climate emergency and helping to achieve more balanced, sustainable and resilient territorial development. With operations in 120 countries, Egis places the expertise of its 16,000 employees at the disposal of its clients and develops cutting-edge innovation accessible to all projects. Through its wide-ranging fields of activity, Egis is a central player in the collective organisation of society and the living environment of citizens all over the world. Today Egis is involved in the design and build of various Automatic Metro Projects like lines 15, 16 and 17 of the New Paris Metro, or upgrade of Metro systems like in Lyon line B.

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