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Alstom’s contribution to the local rail industry spans nearly a century going back to 1925 when the first electric locomotive was built for South Africa followed by production of the first electric multiple units (EMUs) in 1926*.

*  Technology provided by Metropolitan Vickers, English Electric and Linke-Hofmann-Busch: companies that later became part of the Alstom group

KEY FEATURES

April 2016: Alstom acquired 51% shares in South African rail company CTLE (Commuter Transport & Locomotive Engineering) and renamed the company Alstom Ubunye

Located in Nigel, Ekurhuleni, east of Johannesburg

570 employees

Large range of activities in 80 000m² manufacturing facility

Fully compliant with Black Economic Empowerment principles

"Alstom is making a positive impact on the revival of South Africa’s train-manufacturing competency. Through our joint-ventures, we offer a complete range of systems, equipment, services and manufacturing facilities involving South Africans, with majority localised supply chain. We will continue to share our international expertise and transfer skills for the benefit of thousands of South Africans."

Didier Pfl eger, Alstom Senior Vice President for Middle East & Africa
Alstom continues to strengthen its commitments to South Africa through local joint-ventures with Alstom Ubunye and Gibela Rail and this large, local footprint enables investment in rail in Southern Africa. The manufacturing facilities consist of 80,000 m² at Alstom Ubunye and 60,000 m² at the custom-built Gibela Rail factory (completion scheduled for January 2018). This footprint enables the company to offer a complete range of systems, equipment, services and manufacturing facilities, contributing to the revitalisation of the Southern African Rail Industry.

Alstom is fully committed to diversity, education and sustainable development. The company has successfully localised its supply chain – exceeding 65% local content for the Gibela/PASeron Rail Agency of South Africa (PRASA) contract.

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- October 2013: R51 billion PRASA contract awarded to build 600 X’Trapolis Mega commuter trains (3,600 coaches) over 10 years for Metrorail
- Contracted to supply maintenance, technical support and spare parts to PRASA for the new trains over 19 years
- Located in Dunnottar, Ekurhuleni, east of Johannesburg
- 54,000 m² of factory space
- R1 billion investment in 78ha purpose-built train integration site and supplier park
- More than 500 employees
- 1,500 direct jobs to be created in the new Dunnottar factory
- 19,000 people to be trained by Gibela over 10 years
- On track to complete its first South African-made X’trapolis Mega commuter train by end of 2018
- Will produce 62 new trains a year at peak
- 65% of components sourced locally
Through the Alstom Foundation, Alstom promotes economic development and social progress especially for communities in the vicinity of its operating locations.

August 2017: An agreement was signed between Alstom Ubunye and Esibonelwesihle Secondary School, based in Duduza, for the implementation of a project to upgrade and expand the school’s technical facilities.

Alstom Foundation opened a new culture facility in the Steenberg Pavilion at Steenberg High School on the outskirts of Cape Town in partnership with Musiquelaine SA. The Pavilion, funded by the Alstom Foundation with Musiquelaine SA will provide facilities for disadvantaged young South Africans to develop their musical talents and to effect a positive change in their lives.