

PRESS RELEASE

Alstom to supply new trams for the Lille European Metropolitan Area

- The Lille European Metropolitan Area has chosen Alstom to supply its new trams to replace existing rolling stock on the historic 'Mongy' line, which links the cities of Lille, Roubaix and Tourcoing.
- The 124 million euro contract includes an order for 30 Citadis trams.

20 December 2023 – Alstom has been chosen by the Métropole Européenne de Lille (MEL) to supply the new trams for Line R and Line T of the Lille tramway network. An initial order includes 24 Citadis trams, with the possibility of adding a further 6. The first deliveries will take place in early 2026, with entry into service scheduled for mid-2026.

A concentration of innovations for the well-being of travellers

With a length of 32.40 metres and a width of 2.40 metres, MEL's new trams have a metric gauge. They have 4 double doors on each side to make it easier for passengers to get on and off. They have a minimum capacity of 196 passengers.

In compliance with the PMR (Persons with Reduced Mobility) legislation, the trams have door opening buttons at the right level, wider seats and areas reserved for wheelchair users and pushchairs.

For a comfortable journey in total safety, the Citadis trams are air-conditioned and equipped with a dynamic passenger information system and a video protection system.

Energy-efficient and environmentally-friendly trams

These trams are energy-efficient, thanks to new motorisation, efficient management of inside temperature and 100% LED lighting. The trams are eco-designed, 95% recyclable and 99% reusable.

Trams offering optimum availability

Maintainability requirements have already been taken into account with a reduced number of spare part references, improved accessibility of components and sensors distributed throughout the tram to enable remote diagnosis of the equipment, thus making it possible to anticipate and therefore optimise downtime periods and offering optimum availability for the operator.

The contribution of Alstom French sites to the Lille tramway contract

Several Alstom sites in France are involved in the production of these Citadis trams, including:

- La Rochelle, for design and assembly;
- Villeurbanne, for on-board electronics and cyber security;
- Aix-en-Provence, for tacho centres.

To date, Alstom has sold more than 3,200 Citadis trams to 70 cities in 20 countries around the world (including 26 cities in France). Citadis trams have covered more than 1 billion kilometres and carried 10 billion passengers since the first tram entered service in 2000.

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Its 12,500 or so employees in France have the know-how to serve French and international customers. Around 30,000 jobs are generated in France by its 4,500 French suppliers.

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