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Ansaldo STS finalises signalling contract in Turkey

- **Contract worth EUR 126 million**
- **Ansaldo STS gains foothold in promising Turkish market**

Ansaldo STS (STS. MI) today signed a contract with the General Directorate of Turkish State Railways (TCDD) to design, build and put into operation signalling and telecommunications equipment for the two railway lines Bogazköprü-Ulukisla-Yenice and Mersin-Toprakkale. The CEO of Ansaldo STS, Sergio De Luca, and the General Director of TCDD, Suleyman Karaman, were present at the signing.

The contract was awarded to Ansaldo STS in mid-October, and is worth EUR 126 million. It will give the company a significant foothold on the Turkish market, currently one of the most active in the rail and metro transport sectors.

The two stretches of line are around 410 km long, and upgrading work is intended to supply a complete signalling and telecommunications network that includes the European Rail Traffic Management System (ERMTS) level 1 both on board trains and on the line, the CTC remote control system and telecommunications systems for interlocking. In addition, platforms in some stations will also be extended as part of the project.

Ansaldo STS' success in securing this contract follows similar tenders in Germany and China, and confirms its leading position in ERMTS technology. The company has already successfully applied ERMTS technology in Italy, Spain, France, Sweden, the UK, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Romania, Bulgaria, Greece, India and South Korea.

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Note for editors

The European Railway Traffic Management System (ERTMS), level 1 and 2, was designed to create interoperability between railway lines. Its aim is to provide the European rail industry with a standard for the development of signalling and railway traffic control systems, able to ensure more efficient use of the network, an increase in capacity and greater safety.

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