

A contract worth €160 million

Alstom to supply 30 Coradia Continental regional trains to Hessische Landesbahn in Germany

15 December 2015 – Alstom has been awarded a €160 million contract to supply 30 Coradia Continental electrical trains to the Hessische Landesbahn GmbH (HLB) in Hesse, Germany. The trains are scheduled to enter commercial service in December 2018 on the Südhessen-Untermain network, connecting the cities of Wiesbaden, Mainz, Darmstadt, Frankfurt and Aschaffenburg, in the west-central part of Germany.

Alstom's regional train Coradia Continental is able to circulate at a commercial speed of 160 km/h. It offers excellent acceleration characteristics, reducing travel time. The three-car and four-car trainset¹ versions will be able to carry up to 350 and 460 passengers respectively. A special emphasis has been placed on passenger comfort. Four or five multi-purpose areas provide space for wheelchairs, bicycles and strollers. The traction equipment is located on the roof, allowing spacious interior design including a large corridor for easier movement within the train. Coradia Continental is equipped with Wi-Fi in the whole train, outlets for laptops and a real-time passenger information system that displays connection information.

"We are pleased that our long term customer HLB which ordered a variety of our diesel trains has chosen our modern electrical solutions manufactured at Alstom's site in Salzgitter (Germany). For the first time the Coradia Continental will meet the new standards for interoperability of locomotives and passenger cars²" says Didier Pflieger, Vice President Germany & Austria of Alstom.

"As a longtime partner, we are pleased to continue in the future the good cooperation with the company Alstom and to expand our fleet with Coradia Continental electric trains", says Veit Salzmann, Managing Director of HLB GmbH.

Coradia Continental belongs to Alstom's Coradia range of modular trains which benefit from over 30 years' experience and proven technical solutions. More than 2,200 Coradia trains have been sold and 1,900 are currently circulating in Denmark, France, Germany, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, Sweden and Canada.

¹ 13 three-car and 17 four-car trainsets

² EU TSI LOC&PAS: Technical specification for interoperability relating to the 'rolling stock – locomotives and passenger rolling stock' subsystem of the rail system in the European Union.

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