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SYSTRA ACQUIRES JMP CONSULTANTS LIMITED TO STRENGTHEN ITS POSITION IN THE UK

SYSTRA has acquired JMP Consultants Limited, one of the UK’s leading transport consultancies, specialising in transport planning and engineering. This acquisition strengthens SYSTRA’s position in the UK market, by consolidating its consultancy services and extending its portfolio of clients and partners.

"The acquisition of JMP is part of SYSTRA’s 2018 growth plan. The United Kingdom is a key country for the Group’s development. The country’s economic growth and increasing demand for mass transit, combined with the UK’s significant Rail modernization program, make it a high-potential market for urban and railway transport. With the acquisition of JMP, SYSTRA has attained a critical size in the United Kingdom, and secured its position in the transport planning and engineering market." Pierre VERZAT, SYSTRA’s Chief Executive Officer.

The acquisition and integration of JMP will be undertaken by SYSTRA Ltd, SYSTRA’s subsidiary in the United Kingdom. This latest acquisition enables SYSTRA Ltd to benefit from complementary skills and greater local presence, in order to diversify and extend its client portfolio.

Tim O’Neill, Chief Executive of SYSTRA Ltd declared: "By combining the strengths of JMP and SYSTRA Ltd, we are reinforcing our capacity to design and develop the transport networks that UK and Irish travellers need. Our skill-sets and client bases are complementary, JMP has an excellent reputation for their work in development planning and traffic engineering while SYSTRA Ltd has an impressive strategic modelling and planning and capability. United under the SYSTRA Ltd banner, our teams will be able to provide a wide range of services, enabling public and private clients to develop their transport infrastructure. This will reinforce the position of SYSTRA Ltd on strategic projects such as High Speed 2, Britain’s 2nd high speed railway and Crossrail 2, the 2nd high frequency, high capacity railway for London and the South East."
JMP Consultants Limited

The company was formed in 1964 as Jamieson McKay and Partners and became JMP Consultants Limited in 1984. JMP has worked mostly in the United Kingdom, through offices situated in Birmingham, Bristol, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Leeds, Liverpool, London, Manchester, Newcastle and Reading. The 186 staff are experts in transport planning, traffic and highway engineering, infrastructure, design, civil and hydraulic engineering. In 2014, JMP’s sales turnover reached £11.8 million. JMP has recently worked on a range of major development planning and transport consultancy projects including a number of rapid transit projects such as rail links between Heathrow airport and Reading, Waterloo and the South Rail network, developing the East Coast mainline strategic business case, and developing urban transport in the West Midlands.

SYSTRA Ltd

The SYSTRA Group is represented in the United Kingdom by SYSTRA Ltd. SYSTRA Ltd has a staff of 181 and achieved a sales turnover of £19 million in 2014. The High Speed 1 project to build Britain’s first high speed railway was a major undertaking for SYSTRA in the noughties, and is a reference for the Group. SYSTRA is also involved in the Crossrail 1 heavy duty suburban line, crossing London from East to West, due to open in 2018.

About SYSTRA Group
SYSTRA is the world leader for public transport infrastructure. This subsidiary of RATP and SNCF has worked in the Mass Transit and Rail market since 1957. The Group’s ambition is to serve the new needs for collective, sustainable mobility, all over the world.
Revenue 2014: 527 million €, 5,000 employees worldwide.
In 2014, SYSTRA marked up the highest rate of growth for the sector, and plans to recruit several thousand employees over the next four years.
SYSTRA is currently working on more than 3,500 projects involving high speed and conventional railways, metros and trams in 78 different countries.
The Group has helped build half of the world’s metro systems and is working on lines 15, 16 and 17 of the Grand Paris Express. In Asia, SYSTRA is working on line 6 of the Delhi metro and line 16 of the Shanghai metro. SYSTRA is in charge of building two new automated metro lines in Santiago de Chile, and of migrating 23 km of commuter railway that run between Epping and Chatsworth in Australia, to driverless operation.
SYSTRA has contributed to every High Speed Railway line in France and is currently working on four projects: the South Europe Atlantic line from Tours to Bordeaux, phase 2 of the East European HSR, the Nîmes-Montpellier bypass and the Brittany-Loire Valley line. SYSTRA is also involved in the high speed railway project between Tangiers and Kenitra, in Morocco. Elsewhere, SYSTRA is a stakeholder on projects in India, Malaysia and Thailand. SYSTRA’s worldwide experience of High Speed Railways is based on flagship projects which have promoted sustainable high speed mobility in Asia: South Korea, Taiwan and China. In Canada, the Group’s subsidiary, Canarail, won the contract to renovate rolling stock for the prestigious Rocky Mountaineer tourist railway.

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