SYSTRA SECURES “CLUB-DEAL” FINANCING

On 9 November 2016, SYSTRA raised EUR 117 million in debt with a pool of five major banks: Crédit Agricole Corporate and Investment Bank, Société Générale, Natixis, BNP Paribas and HSBC France.

“Systra has joined the close circle of companies that have secured “Club-Deal” financing. We have therefore acquired the means to finance all our needs and plan for the future. Discussions and meetings prior to the signature of the Club-Deal allowed us to strengthen the level of trust with our financiers. The latter’s support through this “Club-Deal” is a major vote of confidence in our projects” according to Bruno Schmitt, the Group’s Corporate Secretary.

Three identified objectives:
- refinancing existing debt,
- securing the debt required to finance future acquisitions,
- and financing short-term cash requirements.

SYSTRA had several objectives. Firstly: refinancing existing credit lines by taking advantage of current favourable interest rates. Secondly, securing the financial resources required to implement its strategic plan. The Club-Deal will thus allow SYSTRA to finance its external growth transactions. Finally, a revolving credit facility was integrated which will secure short-term lines of overdraft for SYSTRA and its subsidiaries.

About SYSTRA

The global leader in public transport infrastructure, SYSTRA has specialised in the mass transit and rail market since 1957. The main shareholders of SYSTRA are SNCF and RATP. Its ambition is to serve emerging needs for collective and sustainable mobility throughout the world.

With a presence in 80 countries, SYSTRA manages over 3,000 projects for high-speed systems, traditional rail lines, metros and trams worldwide.

It has contributed to the construction of one out of every two metro systems in the world and is currently working on Lines 15, 16 and 17 of the Grand Paris Express transit project. In Asia, SYSTRA is working on line 6 of the Delhi metro and on line 16 of the Shanghai metro. SYSTRA is in charge of the construction of two new automated metro lines in Santiago, Chile, and the automation of a 13 km stretch of the rapid transit line between Epping and Chatswood in Australia.

In France, SYSTRA has worked on every high-speed line and is presently working on four projects: the Sud Europe Atlantique link-up between Tours and Bordeaux, the EST phase 2 high-speed line, the Nîmes/Montpellier bypass and the Brittany – Pays de Loire line. SYSTRA is also involved in the Tanger – Kenitra high-speed line in Morocco. SYSTRA is a stakeholder in projects in India, Malaysia and Thailand.

SYSTRA has built its expertise on contributions to high-speed infrastructures throughout the world, and notably its contribution to the establishment of sustainable high-speed networks in Asia: South Korea, Taiwan, China, etc. Its subsidiary Canarail won the rolling stock renovation contract for the prestigious Rocky Mountaineer tourist train line in Canada.

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