Through the acquisition of TECTRAN, a Brazilian consultancy and engineering company, SYSTRA is reinforcing its positioning on the Brazilian market and enhancing its ability to tackle Brazil’s major public transport challenges.

SYSTRA is pleased to announce the acquisition of Brazilian consultancy and engineering company TECTRAN. Founded in 1990 and based in Belo Horizonte, the capital of Minas Gerais state, TECTRAN employs 80 professionals. With a presence in transport infrastructures engineering (metro, rail and road), the company is active in urban planning and logistics studies. The company has over 250 references to its name in CREA, Brazil’s engineering register.

According to SYSTRA CEO Pierre Verzat, "This acquisition reinforces SYSTRA’s presence in a country with considerable transport infrastructure needs. From our role as a benchmark in engineering services, we are able to anticipate the recovery of Brazil’s economy, which we expect to occur in the coming years, accompanied by growing transport needs for a young and dynamic population."

Latin America Regional Director Colas Martinet adds: "We have worked with TECTRAN since 2013 through our subsidiary in Brazil on passenger rail projects in the Belo Horizonte region. The company ranks among the top five consulting companies in Brazil and its expertise is recognized by major private concession operators and civil engineering groups, as well as with major public bodies. Our clients in Brazil will now have access to a more comprehensive value proposition."

In the words of TECTRAN co-founder Eduardo Coelho, "SYSTRA represents an excellent opportunity for our employees on both the technical and professional levels. Besides improving our performance on our current projects, we will be able to enhance our development in activities where SYSTRA has set the benchmark. By reinforcing our capacities, we will be better positioned to respond to Brazilians' daily public transport needs, particularly in metro and rail." Eduardo Coelho will continue steering the company’s commercial development.

Silvestre Puty Filho, the company’s other co-founder, added these comments after the signing: "We were very receptive to the culture of mutual respect and the human approach of SYSTRA’s integration strategy. The post-acquisition organizational structure is a balance between new faces from SYSTRA and TECTRAN’s expertise as well as knowledge of the Brazilian market."
About SYSTRA
The global leader in public transport infrastructure, SYSTRA, an engineering subsidiary of RATP and SNCF, has specialised in the mass transit and rail market since 1957. Its ambition is to serve emerging needs for collective and sustainable mobility throughout the world. Revenues in 2014: €527 million; 5,000 employees around the world. SYSTRA posted the best growth in its industry in 2014 and plans to recruit several thousand new employees over the next four years. With a presence in 78 countries, SYSTRA manages over 1,500 contracts throughout the world. SYSTRA has contributed to the construction of one out of every two metro systems in the world. In France, SYSTRA is working on Lines 15, 16 and 17 of the Grand Paris Express transit project. Internationally, SYSTRA is working on Line 6 of the Delhi metro and on Line 16 of the Shanghai metro, which will be the world’s longest elevated metro. SYSTRA is also involved in the construction of two new automated metro lines in Santiago, Chile, and in the automation of a 23 km stretch of the rapid transit line between Epping and Chatswood in Australia. SYSTRA is in charge of project management and supervision for Phase 1 of the Doha Metro in Qatar. It is also a contributor to the fight against climate change and recently won the flagship World Bank project to relieve traffic congestion and reduce greenhouse gas emissions in China’s major cities.

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