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## **Transdev has officially tendered for the Porto light metro project**

TRANSDEV and EFACEC have submitted a joint tender for the five-year operating and maintenance sub-franchise for the Porto metropolitan area's light metro system, as part of a group that also includes three road transport operators with a significant role in mobility: VALPI, ETG-EMPRESA DE TRANSPORTES GONDOMARENSE and ESPIRITO SANTO.

85% of the activities of this group are carried out by companies based in the Porto district, employing approximately 3,700 people in northern Portugal.

TRANSDEV MOBILIDADE, based in Matosinhos, has been operating and maintaining the Porto metropolitan area light metro system, as part of GIE NORMETRO, since it opened in December 2002 (until 31<sup>st</sup> March 2010). The success of this operation has earned TRANSDEV MOBILIDADE worldwide recognition and the company is already exporting skills and professionals from Porto to other surface metro systems on different continents.

This success is also acknowledged by users of the Porto metro. In 2008, the level of satisfaction was over 80% for criteria such as punctuality, the professionalism and competence of TRANSDEV employees, waiting time information, length of journeys and ease of connections. A similar level of satisfaction is also achieved for the comfort and cleanliness of vehicles and stations.

EFACEC, which is the biggest industrial company in Portugal in its areas of activity, has supplied a large part of the energy network and support systems for operation, supervision, control and data transmission for the Porto metro. EFACEC is currently working on big orders for similar systems to the Porto metro project in a wide variety of places like Dublin (Ireland), Tenerife (Spain), Sao Paulo (Brazil) and in different countries of the Maghreb. Strictly in the sector of maintenance, which accounts for revenues of €60 M (10% of the turnover of the Group) and employs 850 people, EFACEC is the biggest company operating in Portugal and one of the biggest on the Iberian Peninsula.

Currently, a sub-contractor called S2M, a Matosinhos-based joint venture consisting of TRANSDEV MOBILIDADE and EFACEC, is looking after the maintenance of the fixed installations of the Porto metropolitan area light metro system.

The road transport operators that are part of the group have a strong presence in the Porto district and have contributed significantly to the establishment of the inter-modal system "Andante" in this metropolitan area and to long-term growth in demand for the light metro system.

**About the Transdev Group**

- Transdev, subsidiary of Caisse des Dépôts, is the 4<sup>th</sup> largest private operator of public transport in Europe.
- With 12 tramway networks (Grenoble, Madrid, Melbourne, Montpellier, Mulhouse, Nantes, Nottingham, Orléans, Strasbourg, Tenerife, Utrecht and Valenciennes), 2 new networks under construction (Edinburgh, Reims), and 2 metros in operation (Porto, Genoa), Transdev is a world leader on this market.
- Present in 9 countries and on 3 continents, in Europe and in Canada and Australia, Transdev provides transport to more than 2 billion passengers a year.
- The Group manages a fleet of more than 20,000 vehicles, including 16,000 coaches and buses, 1,000 tramways, 90 metro units, 30 trains, 110 trolleys, 50 river shuttles and 4,000 demand-responsive vehicles, a market on which Transdev is the European leader.
- Transdev employs over 46,000 people and managed a turnover of 3.3 billion euros in 2008.