

Alstom will modernise the railway traffic control system in the Katowice agglomeration in Poland

- Alstom will be responsible for a comprehensive modernisation of the railway traffic control system in the Katowice agglomeration
- The reconstruction of line E65 in the section: Katowice Szopienice South – Katowice – Katowice Piotrowice is the largest infrastructure project in the history of Polish railways
- The construction works are carried out by Torpol S.A., the general contractor, with Alstom acting as a subcontractor responsible for traffic control system

30 July 2024 – Alstom, global leader in smart and sustainable mobility, will actively participate in the modernisation of the E65 railway line in the section: Katowice Szopienice South – Katowice – Katowice Piotrowice – an important railway infrastructure investment in Silesia. Alstom has signed a contract with Torpol S.A., general contractor, and Alstom will act as subcontractor. The works will include, among others, separating urban and long-distance railway traffic through changing the double-track system to a four-track one from Katowice Szopienice South to Katowice Ligota with a departure route towards Chorzów Batory. Approximately 100 kilometres of tracks and 270 turnouts will be reconstructed, and over 130 kilometres of new traction network will be built. The high complexity of the reconstruction of the signalling equipment is due, among other things, to the construction of more than 130 km of new overhead line, the modernisation of 120 engineering structures and 14 platforms, and the creation of six new platforms at Katowice Uniwersytet, Katowice Kokociniec and Katowice Akademia stations.

As part of the investment, a new signal box at the Katowice Zawodzie station, a building of the Local Control Centre in Katowice (LCS Katowice), as well as a technical building at the Katowice Ligota station will be deployed. A key element of the modernisation is equipping all stations with a modern rail traffic control system, with the control centre located at LCS Katowice. All works related to designing and implementing the traffic control solutions will be carried out by the Alstom branch in Katowice, which is one of the largest producers of railway traffic control systems and equipment in Europe, in cooperation with Krakowskie Zakłady Automatyki S.A.

“At Alstom, we work every day for modern and sustainable mobility, both in rolling stock and traffic control solutions. We are bringing unique competences - acquired through the implementation of projects in Poland and in the world - to the consortium. We are constantly developing our branch in Katowice, which brings together several hundred engineers, programmers, testers, and IT specialists with extensive experience in the Polish and international markets. I am glad that the technologies and solutions developed by our team will have a significant impact on the quality and safety of railway services in the Katowice agglomeration,” emphasises Adam Juretko, the Managing Director of Alstom Katowice.

Alstom's experience in the Polish market has included, among others, the first implementation of the ERTMS level 2 system, construction of the ERTMS L2 system on 10 PKP PLK railway lines, construction of a control centre for the Warsaw Metro, construction of over 30 centralised railway traffic control systems (CTC), equipping over 220 stations with computer dependency systems and modernisation of over 1,700 crossing signalling systems.

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