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From Linate City Airport to the heart of Milan in 12 minutes with the automated metro line M4

July 4, 2023

On Tuesday, 4th July, the second section of M4, Milan's latest automated metro line, was inaugurated, enabling to reach the city centre from Linate City Airport in 12 minutes.

Thanks to the interchange with the line M1 in San Babila station, passengers will be connected to the whole Milan metro network - 5 lines and 136 stations spread throughout the city - with significant benefits for the inhabitants and the whole system: faster journeys, traffic reduction, environmental protection, urban regeneration.

With a team of almost 80 people including operators, line staff in the stations and on board the trains and maintenance workers and a control room working 24/7, ATM is ready to meet the highest standards of technology, safety and sustainability with the organizational and operational excellence of a reliable, efficient and competitive service.

Upon completion, expected by the end of 2024, the M4 - the Blue line - will stretch for 15 kilometers from the East to the West of the city.

With over 86 million expected passengers per year, the new automated line will redefine mobility behaviour and improve citizens' and travellers' quality of life.

The M4 is one of the six fully automated metro lines managed by ATM Group, along with the M5 in Milan and the four automated lines in Copenhagen.



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ATM awarded to operate Thessaloniki's automated metro starting from 2024

June 26, 2023

The company THEMA (Thessaloniki Metro Automatic), with a majority holding by ATM and a minority stake by Egis (51% and 49%, respectively), has been awarded the contract for the management and maintenance of the new driverless line in Thessaloniki, which will be inaugurated in the early months of 2024. The contract has a duration of 11 years and it is worth EUR 250 million.

The new metro is the most modern public work in the Hellenic Republic and the only driverless line, serving the second largest Greek city by population, with over one million inhabitants. With an extension of almost 20 kilometres, it will become the main hub for internal city travel, also strategic for the connections with the rest of the country.

"We are truly proud that Elliniko Metro has chosen us to operate the Thessaloniki automated metro - said ATM's CEO Arrigo Giana -. This important achievement represents a further stage in our international development, as we are increasingly acknowledged for our expertise in managing driverless metros and complex mobility systems. We are fully committed to put our expertise and know-how at the service of the Hellenic authorities and Thessaloniki's citizens and city-users to offer them the best possible travel experience".

Over the years, ATM has acquired a prominent role of excellence on the global stage in the management of automatic metros: since 2008 in Copenhagen with lines M1, M2 and later M3 and M4 of the Cityring, in 2011 in Riyadh where it started the city's first line and finally since 2013 in Milan, with the driverless metro lines M5 and the most recent M4, opened in 2022 and connecting the Linate airport to the city centre.



Azienda Trasporti Milanesi at the UITP Global Public Transport Summit and Exhibition in Barcelona, 4-7 June

May 22, 2023

From 4 to 7 June, ATM will be in Barcelona at the UITP Global Public Transport Summit, the world's major event dedicated to sustainable mobility, bringing together authorities, operators and industries.

The company will welcome visitors at its **stand no. 7G174** to exhibit and share its know-how, expertise and activities with a high-level delegation of directors and experts. The stand's claim, "Leading Urban Transformation", highlights ATM's main strategic pillars: Integrated Mobility Management, Automated Metro Operations, Zero-Emission Transport and Consulting & Engineering Services.

In addition, ATM's directors will contribute to the Summit sessions, focusing on the company's best practices and latest projects.

On Monday 5th, our Automated Metros Operations Director and member of the UITP Observatory of Automated Metros, Fabrizio Gelsomino, will introduce to the audience the M4, the latest automated metro line in Milan, during the Spotlight Forum Session on automated vehicle technology: **June 05: Automated vehicle technology for public transport operations**

On Tuesday 6th, our Strategy, Innovation and Sustainability Director, Paolo Marchetti, will explain how ATM deploys LEZ and manages payment systems and access control for the Milan LEZ areas: **June 06: International experiences on successful implementation of LEZs**

On Wednesday 7th, our Finance, Tax, Insurance and Risk Management Director, Germana Montroni, will delve into green finance and how the sector can integrate an ESG framework and engage with financing stakeholders. **June 07: Environmental, social and corporate governance: A powerful partnership to harness green finance**

Lastly, again on Wednesday 7th, our Business Development Director, Carlo Bianco, will moderate a session on how to upgrade an existing metro or suburban rail line to automatic train operation: **June 07: Automating an existing metro or commuter rail line: Exploring a complex project**

ATM invites UITP Global Summit and Exhibition Visitors to join its experts at stand no. 7G174.

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ATM implements a major improvement in terms of accessibility with the service “Information without barriers”

December 6, 2022

In Milan, ATM implements a major improvement in terms of accessibility with the service “Information without barriers”, providing REAL-TIME INFORMATION on the accessibility status of the metro network.

Now online, “Information without barriers” is the ATM platform that provides real-time information on the accessibility status of Milan metro network.

This new service marks a further step towards making public transport accessible for everyone, allowing people to be constantly updated on the lifts and stairlifts status of the 5 metro lines.

Its implementation was conceived following a series of focus groups with ATM customers with disabilities and with LEDHA, a group of associations representing people with disabilities.

How it works

Selecting the line of interest on the platform’s homepage, stations appear characterised by specific colours. Green: the station is completely accessible. Yellow: some of the accessible facilities are out of order or under programmed maintenance. Red: all the accessible facilities are out of order. White: the station has no accessible facilities.

[Visit the platform](#)

By selecting the station of interest, it is possible to know the operating status of the lifts and stairlifts connecting the station levels (street, ticket gates, platforms) in each direction.

Available from smartphone, from the homepage of the company website www.atm.it and from the ATM official App, “Information without barriers” is part of the ATM’s digital transformation plan to improve the travel experience for all passengers.



The new automated M4 line was inaugurated on 26 November

November 26, 2022

Saturday 26 November 2022 saw the opening of the first section of M4, Milan's new automated metro line, with six stations connecting Linate Airport to the station Milano Dateo.

Two more stations, that will make it possible to reach the city centre from the airport in 12 minutes, will be opened in early summer 2023.

By the end of 2024 the new automated line will be completed, connecting the East of Milan to the West with 21 stations spread over 15 kilometres. Over 86 million passengers per year are expected to use the new blue line, relying on a train every 90 seconds.

The M4 is Milan's second automated line, the first one being the M5 that opened in 2013, connecting the North of the city to the western area, where the San Siro Stadium is located.

At international level, ATM has been managing through Metro Service A/S the Copenhagen automated metro network since 2008.

With the six lines in operations, ATM consolidates itself as one of the main European operators of automated metros.



EU- Modex Italy 2022: ATM hosted the international exercise organised in Milan

July 11, 2022

On 8th and 10th July, ATM hosted the Eu-Modex Italy 2022, aimed at **testing the preparedness and response capacities** of the forces involved within the **EU Civil Protection Mechanism**.

The company contributed towards building a rather challenging and realistic scenario that included the **simulation of a tunnel collapse** due to an aircraft accident, **people stuck in a metro** train waiting to be saved and other possible crisis situations.

The **international exercise** was organised in Milan by the **National Civil Protection Department** and saw the participation of several actors: two **European USAR** (Urban Search and Rescue) teams from **France** and **Romania**, an Italian USAR team from **Tuscany**, the **Firefighter Regional Direction of Lombardy**, the **Municipality of Milan**, the **Milan Prefecture** and the **Milan Police Headquarters**.

From the very beginning ATM worked shoulder to shoulder with the authorities, making available a metro train, a wide area in its **San Donato depot**, including test tracks, and involving the employees as extras during the exercise.

The exercise on social media:

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ATM chaired the UITP Observatory of Automated Metros meeting in Copenhagen

June 25, 2022

On 23rd and 24th June 2022, the meeting of **UITP Observatory of Automated Metros** was held in **Copenhagen** under the chairmanship of Carlo Bianco, Director of Driverless Metro Operations of ATM.

Local host **Claudio Cassarino, Managing Director of Metro Service A/S**, who is the subsidiary of ATM Group that has been running the Copenhagen metro since 2008.

The meeting primarily focused on **ongoing Brownfield automated metro projects in Europe** and around the world, as well as their future scenarios.

Atm has been an active member of UITP, the International Association of Public Transport, since 1967.



ATM participates in the tender for Grand Paris Express automated lines 16 and 17

April 5, 2022

ATM submitted its **offer for the management of the automated metro lines 16 and 17** of the **Grand Paris Express**, the largest project for the construction of a new metro network underway in Europe to date.

The **participation** in the tender occurs **alongside Egis**, a leading international engineering group, with which ATM constituted a temporary association called **ATEMIS**.

Both automated lines will gradually **open starting from 2024** and they will serve the northern and the eastern Paris outskirts. In particular, line 16 will reach Noisy-Champs from Saint-Denis Pleyel, while line 17 will connect Saint-Denis Pleyel to the Charles de Gaulle Airport.

The participation in this tender is an **important milestone of ATM's business plan**, as it aims to **strengthen its international role** and bring its know-how abroad, just like the company has been doing in Copenhagen since 2008, managing four automated metro lines.



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ATM's historical heritage is now online through its Photo Archive website

December 15, 2021

On the occasion of its **90th birthday**, ATM published a website dedicated to its **historical Photo Archive**.

Visitors will find pictures recounting the **company history**: vehicles, depots and other premises, people working in public transport and views of the city of Milan.

The photo archive is **part of a broader project to give value to and share ATM's heritage** with the stakeholders, as it witnesses the **role the company** has been playing in shaping the **city** and its **identity**.

The website currently includes about **3,000 photos**, ranging from the end of the **nineteenth century** to the **1970s**, but the collection will be gradually increased through constant cataloguing activities.

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