

CAF IS AWARDED THE SUPPLY OF UNITS FOR THE BRUSSELS METRO

Société des Transports Intercommunaux de Bruxelles (MIVB/STIB), the public transport operator for the European capital, has notified CAF of the award of a framework contract for a term of 12 years which includes the supply of 43 units for the Brussels Metro, totalling an amount of €353m, with the option to order up to 47 additional trains during this period. The contract involves cutting edge trains equipped with state of the art technology for this type of vehicles, which will migrate in the course of the project from operation with the current signalling system to operation with CBTC signalling system.

STIB is the largest public urban transport company in Belgium, managing an extensive transport network, comprising the aforementioned metro network alongside the tram and bus services which, over recent years, has experienced a significant annual increase in passenger figures.

It should be noted that in 2004, STIB also opted for CAF to supply 15 metro units, a project which was later extended in 2009 with the supply of an additional 6 units. These units have since been running on lines 1 and 5 of the Belgian capital's metro network.

The new metro series will form a part of a macro project which will modernise the Brussels metro. Initially, the project will be implemented on lines 1 and 5 and in various stages: the first trains will be delivered in 2019.

This project for the Capital of the European Union marks CAF's clear consolidation of the Company's position in the European market, where they have also supplied metro units for the cities of Rome, Helsinki, Istanbul, Bucharest, Madrid, Bilbao and Barcelona.

This new project adds to an aggregate of new contracts awarded in 2016 in excess of 2,000m, which in turn increases the company's current backlog to over 6,300m, strengthening CAF's committed strategy towards growth over the next few years.