

Siemens and Infrabel expand strategic partnership to strengthen digital rail operations in Belgium

- **11-year framework to modernize, maintain and future-proof Infrabel's rail Operational Control System (OCS) environment**
- **Agile, collaborative partnership for continuous signaling software evolution and hardware renewal**
- **Enhanced digital resilience through dedicated cybersecurity and next-generation signaling architecture**

Siemens Mobility, a leading provider of intelligent and sustainable rail solutions, and Infrabel, Belgium's national railway infrastructure manager, have signed a long-term framework agreement to modernize and maintain the country's Operational Control System (OCS) environment; these are the digital systems used to manage rail traffic across Belgium. Over the next 11 years, the partners will ensure the continuous evolution of signaling software and hardware for one of Europe's densest rail networks. This digital transformation will significantly enhance network resilience and safety, ensuring a more reliable and efficient rail service for passengers and freight while preparing the rail operational control centers for the future. The framework agreement has a total order value of approximately €215 million.

"Our long-standing partnership with Infrabel is built on trust and a shared commitment to advancing rail operations in Belgium. With this new 11-year framework agreement, we are taking our collaboration to the next level by jointly modernizing the digital foundation of Belgium's rail operation control centers. Our digital technology thrives to 100% system availability and introduces open interfaces

according to the newest standards,” said **Michael Peter, CEO of Siemens Mobility**. “By combining our global digitalization, software and cybersecurity expertise with strong local teams in Brussels, we are helping Infrabel to ensure that Belgium’s railway remains innovative, secure and operationally resilient for decades to come.”

“This contract goes far beyond software and technology. It is an investment in the future of our railway, but also in Belgium’s industrial and economic ecosystem. By partnering with Siemens, we are not only strengthening the safety, reliability and performance of our network; we are also supporting economic activity and jobs in Belgium, while contributing to the development of local expertise in a highly strategic sector. This is how investment in rail infrastructure creates value well beyond the tracks themselves,” said **Benoit Gilson, CEO of Infrabel**.

The long-term partnership will rely on local Siemens Mobility expertise in Belgium, supporting highly skilled employment and helping to further develop the country’s capabilities in digital rail systems, software engineering and cybersecurity. This creates economic value that extends well beyond the railway sector itself.

The framework agreement introduces a dynamic governance structure centered around a four-year rolling roadmap. Through an annual alignment process, Infrabel and Siemens Mobility can continuously synchronize strategic priorities with resource allocation. This ensures that the partnership remains flexible and can rapidly respond to evolving requirements over the 11-year term.

A key pillar of the modernization is a rigorous focus on cybersecurity. This includes the appointment of a dedicated security officer and a continuous commitment to the fast-evolving landscape of rail-specific cyber security standards like the IEC62443 standard and the ISO 27001 certification standard – the internationally recognized standard for organizational information security management. This ensures that the rail infrastructure is protected against cyber threats.

The modernized OCS environment will be future-proof through an intuitive user interface that enhances operational efficiency for control center operators. This will enable continuous modernization of mission-critical signaling software and operational hardware, while providing enhanced digital resilience through next-generation signaling architecture.

The OCS environment supports the management of one of Europe's most intensively used rail networks, handling thousands of passenger and freight services every day. Reliable and secure operations control is essential for maintaining punctuality, increasing capacity and network resilience across Belgium's rail system.

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