

Our history in Belgium

From the first electric telegraph line to a global technology powerhouse

1849

The Berlin-Cologne telegraph line is extended as far as Verviers, Belgium

1871

Siemens & Halske (S&H) appoints Eduard Rau as its representative in Belgium

1871

By 1880 12 railway lines in Belgium have been equipped by S&H with the block system

1898

A Technical Bureau is opened in Brussels under the name of Siemens & Halske SA, Bureau Technique Bruxelles

1903

The Compagnie Belge d'Electricité Siemens-Schuckert SA is founded

1909

The light-current department is sold and Siemens & Halske SA Belge is founded

1920

Electrical equipment is supplied for the reverse rolling mill train of the de Wendel steelworks in Lothringen

1923

The Centrale d'Electricité et de Constructions SA is founded to represent the whole company in Belgium and Luxembourg

1950

Business is resumed in Belgium with the founding of the Société Nouvelle Siemens SA

1959

The then largest pump-storage power plant in Europe is built in Vianden

1961

A factory is built in Oostkamp near Brügge for the production of long distance communications equipment and components

1979

EMS technology with 20,000 line units is supplied to the European Community's administrative headquarters

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1986

Electrical equipment is supplied for Belgium's largest continuous casting plant in Ghent

1986

ATEA (Atelier de téléphonie et d'électricité Anvers) and ADB, a provider of products and solutions for airports, are integrated into Siemens

1995

The first pilot project in Europe for telephone service via a hybrid glass-fiber TV cable network begins operation in Geel, Belgium

2003

Siemens Business Services (SBS) founds a Center of Excellence for e-government in Brussels

2006

Rail network operator Infrabel commissions Siemens to introduce the standardized European automatic train control system (ETCS)

2007

In one of the country's biggest security projects, Siemens installs a network with over 1,500 surveillance camera at around 50 railway stations throughout Belgium to improve public transportation security

2007

Siemens Belgium becomes a Center of Competence for data centers in Western Europe

2008

Siemens wins major order from the Belgian rail operator Société Nationale de Chemins de Fer Belge (SNCB) to supply 305 multiple-unit DESIRO ML trains

2011

BeLux is one of the first companies in the region to use electric cars in the company fleet: They use renewable energy delivered via smart grids

2011

Siemens hands over the T-Power 430 MW combined cycle power plant in Belgium, with an efficiency of more than 58 percent it is one of Europe's most efficient and modern power stations in operation

2012

Siemens acquires leading provider of test and mechatronic simulation for complex products, LMS International NV (Leuven, Belgium)

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2013

Within the new Siemens worldwide organization, Siemens Belgium is designated as Lead Country for Tunisia, Morocco, Algeria and Luxembourg and is responsible for the activities within 23 countries in West and Central Africa

2016

Siemens delivers high-voltage direct current converter stations for the Aachen Liège Electricity Grid Overlay (ALEGrO), a major infrastructure project between Germany and Belgium